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Dublin expects 'cessation of violence in a very short time', but Major remains cautious

Reynolds predicts 'a new beginning'

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR, AND NICHOLAS WATT, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

ALBERT Reynolds, the Irish Prime Minister, said last night that Ireland was poised for peace as hopes soared in London, Dublin and Belfast that today the IRA will call a halt to its bloody 25-year campaign in Northern Ireland and on the mainland.

The British Government and Sinn Fein, the IRA's political wing, could be talking by the end of November if the ceasefire turns out to be the pledge to end violence that John Major and Mr Reynolds have demanded.

As Downing Street moved to allay fears of a sell-out, all the indications were that today's historic announcement would offer the prospect of lasting peace, rather than the temporary ceasefire that has been expected for several days.

Dublin Government sources said they expected the IRA to announce a complete ceasefire. Mr Reynolds said that Ireland was "poised for peace and in a very short time we will be able to make an entirely new beginning".

He added: "A complete cessation of violence and the principles of the Downing Street declaration are our new starting point. I would urge that nobody be afraid of peace and the whole new vista of opportunities which can now open up for the benefit and economic prosperity of all the people of Ireland."

Even so, politicians on all sides recognised there were huge pitfalls ahead; the biggest uncertainty was whether the truce could hold for the minimum three months required before Sinn Fein can be admitted to peace talks.

Mr Reynolds is understood to have been optimistic during a telephone conversation with Mr Major that the declaration would meet the terms of the Downing Street declaration for a permanent end to violence. Mr Major remained cautious, waiting to see the precise terms of the announcement before reacting.

However, if a total halt to violence is announced, exploratory talks between Sinn Fein and the Government could take place within three months, under the terms of a letter sent by Downing Street to Gerry Adams in April. Officials hinted yesterday that the preliminary discussions, which would explore how Sinn Fein could be brought into the peace process and become a constitutional party in Northern Ireland, and the practical consequences of ending violence such as giving up arms, could begin towards the end of the three-month period.

Throughout yesterday there were rumours that the announcement could come ast night, but by early evening it had not materialised. One Unionist MP said: "They have us dancing to their tune." As the Rev Ian Paisley spoke of a "recipe for civil war", Downing Street tried to calm the fears of the Unionist population and Conservative MPs. Senior government officials emphasised that there would be no change in the guarantee of Ulster's status as part of the United Kingdom for as long as the majority wished it, and that no concessions had been offered to the IRA as the price of the ceasefire.

They added that there would be no question of scaling down the British troop presence until the IRA had shown that it was keeping its word and that the ceasefire had been in place for several months. It was emphasised that the Government's policy was "absolutely unchanged". The Prime Minister had moved swiftly to calm the Unionist tensions which had flared up again after Mr Adams said on Monday he had told the IRA that the conditions existed for peace.

Mr Paisley had said: "If the ceasefire comes about through the surrender of the Government, any government that subverts the democratic wish of the people and goes against all the pledges they have made is going to have a situation which is a recipe for civil war in Northern Ireland."

The reassurances appeared to have eased the worries of Official Unionists, headed by James Molyneaux. He said he was confident that the Government had no plans to change Northern Ireland's constitutional position. "Contrary to wild speculation over the weekend, there has been no shift in the attitude of [the] Government in regard to the constitutional position of Northern Ireland," he said.

One of the big factors behind the IRA's change of heart has been progress between British and Irish officials on drawing up a framework document that will form the basis for the resumption of inter-party talks in Northern Ireland. Irish officials have kept Sinn Fein informed of the developments which are claimed to include an agreement from Britain to amend the Government of Ireland Act, 1920, which partitioned Ireland, in return for the Irish government holding a referendum on ending its constitutional claim to Northern Ireland.

If the ceasefire amounts to a complete end to IRA violence, Dublin will begin to lay the groundwork for its much vaunted Forum for Peace and Reconciliation. Mr Reynolds said that that would be open to all parties in Ireland and would help to remove mistrust. However, the Unionists will boycott the forum which means that the Irish government can hope to attract only the SDLP, Alliance and Sinn Fein if the ceasefire holds.

Security patrols would feature highly in any talks between the British Government and Sinn Fein if the ceasefire is permanent. The ceasefire would be monitored in nationalist areas and the Northern Ireland Office might set up incident centres along the lines of the last big IRA ceasefire in 1975. The Government will expect the IRA to hand over its weapons, although the Irish government has indicated that it would be prepared to allow the IRA to keep its armoury. The IRA will also expect an amnesty for the organisation's so-called political prisoners.

John Hume, the leader of the mainly nationalist SDLP, appealed to Unionists yesterday not to reject the IRA ceasefire. As Northern Ireland faced its most uncertain period in the past 25 years, Mr Hume said, Unionists had nothing to fear. "Our primary challenge is to reach agreement among our divided people," he said. "This problem cannot be solved without the Unionist people. Let us for the first time — hopefully in a totally peaceful atmosphere — sit down and reach an agreement. I assume that any such agreement would respect their traditions as well as the rest of our traditions."

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Cahill allowed into US

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Clinton last night allowed Joe Cahill, a former terrorist and the grand old man of the Irish republican movement, into the US so he could persuade Irish-American hardliners to support the IRA's anticipated ceasefire announcement.

The British Government had urged the Administration to deny Mr Cahill a visa until it became clear whether the IRA was permanently prepared to renounce all violence. But Mr Clinton again chose to disregard London's advice. Earlier this year he allowed Gerry Adams, the Sinn Fein president, into the US despite vehement British protests.

Mr Cahill, 74, narrowly escaped the death sentence in 1942 for killing a policeman in Belfast, was commander of the Provisional IRA in Belfast in the 1970s, and was convicted for trying to import arms and explosives.

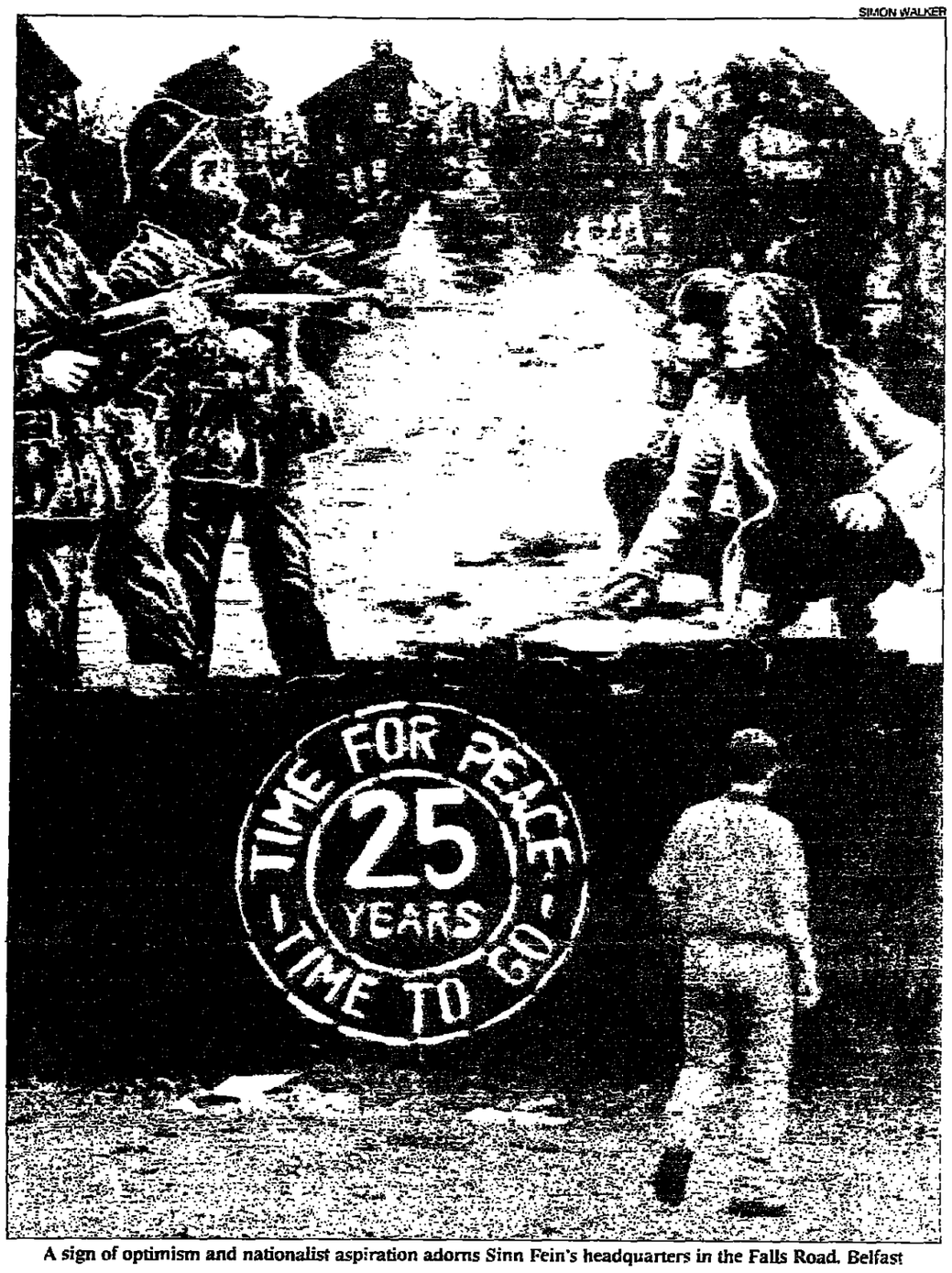
The Administration is also considering a financial aid package for Northern Ireland. The US contributes nearly $20 million (£13.3 million) a year to the International Fund for Ireland, but may increase that to at least $60 million a year for the next two years. "We won't make any decision on that until we see exactly what the terms of the ceasefire are," a White House spokeswoman said.

British officials said they would have no objection to any Irish republican being admitted to the US if the IRA declared a permanent ceasefire, but were concerned that the IRA statement would fall short of an unequivocal renunciation of violence.



Cahill: expected to urge support for ceasefire

SIMON WALKER

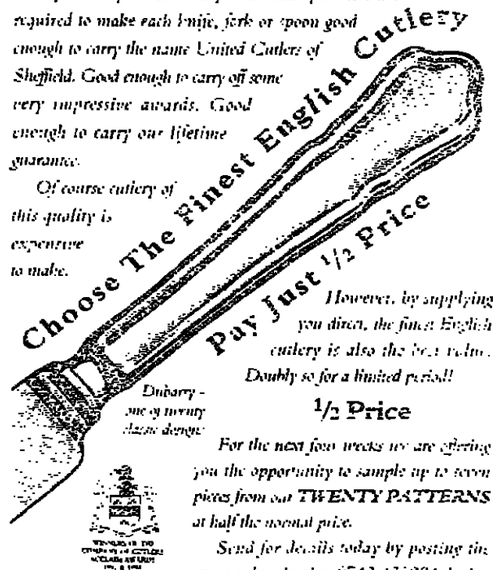


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Drug test delay

An announcement on the result of the second drugs test on British runner Diane Modahl, who returned from the Commonwealth Games last week, has been delayed until today.

Assault charge

A 31-year-old man was charged yesterday with causing grievous bodily harm to builder Barry Hayes, who lost the sight of his right eye when he was beaten after reprimanding children.

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Tories urge Archer to clear the air

BY PHILIP WEBSTER AND JON ASHWORTH

LEADING Conservatives are to urge Lord Archer of Weston-super-Mare to clear the air over his involvement in the Anglia Television share deals controversy.

The best-selling novelist, currently in the Far East to promote his latest book, is to be told by senior party figures on his return that he should try to end the confusion to prevent further damage being inflicted on himself, the Tory party and his good friend, the Prime Minister.

Prominent figures in the party hierarchy are even suggesting that Lord Archer should agree to the publication of the DTI report that resulted in Michael Heseltine, the President of the Board of Trade, deciding that no action should be taken against the former Tory deputy chairman.

Conservatives are saying that a full disclosure of the circumstances, even if they reflected badly on Lord Archer, would be preferable to the uncertainty that currently exists. They believe that his statement last week, apologising to his wife for dealing in shares in Anglia Television, of which she is a director, has raised more questions than it answered. The senior Conservative sources say they hope Lord Archer will act to lift the doubts before the party conference in October. One said: "We owe him a big debt for all his past work. We just hope this is resolved soon."

The Stock Exchange, meanwhile, is understood to have waived its usual procedures to examine Lady Archer's actions in the run-up to the £300 million MAI bid for Anglia Television. The exchange has no power to censure directors of Anglia, because the company was delisted after the takeover. However, officials of the influential listings department are understood to have made an exception due to the high degree of public interest in the case. They are studying Lady Archer's role on the basis that Anglia was listed at the time, and activities of directors should hence be accountable.

Directors face the threat of formal censure should it be ruled that they had breached the Yellow Book code on takeovers. While this would amount to little more than a rap on the knuckles, in Anglia's case, any such move by the Stock Exchange would provide powerful ammunition to support calls for a fresh inquiry into the affair.

Tyneside shipyard reprieved

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

A LAST-minute reprieve for the Swan Hunter shipyard and its 650 workers was announced yesterday after an argument between the Ministry of Defence and prospective buyers of the yard was resolved.

Soffia/CMN, the French group prepared to buy Swan Hunter, has agreed to pay the salaries of the 100-man team, upon whose talents the future of the Tyneside yard depended, until the end of the year. The sum involved is about £1 million.

Yesterday, Fred Henderson, chairman of CMN Support Services in Britain and prospective managing director of Swan Hunter, pledged that his company would buy the yard at the end of the year if there was enough work on the books. The 650 workers at Swan Hunter are already guaranteed work until November when the last of three Type 23 frigates being built at the yard should be completed.

The decision came within hours of a deadline set by Price Waterhouse, the Swan Hunter receiver, for the yard to prove it could remain a going concern.

Free trips offer to rail strike-breakers

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

RAILTRACK has offered free overseas trips to some managers for helping to beat the signal workers' strike.

Leaders of the RMT rail union attacked as "bizarre" the company's offer to take the strike-breaking managers on trips through the Channel Tunnel to Paris and Brussels.

As Railtrack claimed that 45 per cent of the rail network was open during yesterday's strike — the highest figure since the union's action began 12 weeks ago — the offer was disclosed in a leaked memo.

In a novel incentive to managers, supervisors and inspectors in its southern region, Railtrack is offering next month to take senior staff who have helped keep the network open on the new Eurostar service through the tunnel.

The policy — which the company insisted was being offered only in one of its ten regions — was detailed in a memo from David Worcester, human resources director of Railtrack South, who said: "The policy is that the opportunity to travel should be extended to those inspectors, field managers, etc that have helped us to run a train service on strike days and those supervisory staff who worked on the line of the route". Railtrack, embarrassed by the leak, dismissed the move as a "trivial" attempt by the RMT to deflect public attention from the lines of the network now open and what it claimed was the union's refusal to negotiate a settlement.

Jimmy Knapp, RMT general secretary, attacked Railtrack's Eurostar offer, and said the company was willing to spend money on anyone except signalling workers: "Railtrack are sending strike-breakers on trips to Paris and Brussels on taxpayers' money which would be better spent resolving the dispute."

Brian Mawhinney, the Transport Secretary, urged RMT members to press their union to return to negotiations. "I hope that signalmen will ask their union for how much longer the railway industry must suffer while its passengers and freight users desert, and what will be the long-term effect of this on their jobs?" he said.

British Rail said it ran about 45 per cent of normal services during the 48-hour strike which began at lunchtime — no increase on last week's service level. BR hopes to pass the 50 per cent barrier soon.

Countdown to the end of Ireland's Troubles

Crucial years which saw the seeds of peace sown

BY NICHOLAS WATT, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

THE political climate that has persuaded the IRA to prepare its most dramatic move in the past 25 years can be traced back to November 1989 when the Government indicated that it had softened its line towards republicans.

Peter Brooke, the Northern Ireland Secretary at the time, angered Unionists when he suggested that the Government might talk to Sinn Fein if the IRA renounced violence. In an interview to mark his first 100 days in office he said that the Army could contain, but not defeat, the IRA. He added that the Government would be "flexible and imaginative" if the IRA renounced violence.

Since then Sinn Fein has evolved the "Irish peace process", which has involved extensive talks between Gerry Adams, its president, and John Hume, the leader of the Social Democratic and Labour Party. The IRA has responded by claiming that it is committed to finding peace while launching some of its fiercest attacks.

THE PEACE PROCESS

Despite these assaults, the Government has not wavered from its commitment to include Sinn Fein in talks after a permanent end to violence.

Mr Brooke's interview in 1989 immediately injected momentum into finding a peace settlement. Within two weeks Mr Adams welcomed the comments as a "serious breach in the British propaganda line".

In 1990 Mr Brooke launched his three-stranded talks initiative which aimed to build on the Anglo-Irish Agreement of 1985 by establishing new links between the British and Irish governments and the constitutional parties of Northern Ireland. The talks, which excluded Sinn Fein because of its support for the IRA, dominated Northern Ireland's politics until they collapsed in 1992.

Despite Sinn Fein's exclusion from the talks and the inability of even the constitutional parties to find agreement, the Government continued to send signals to republicans.

Sinn Fein claims that in 1990 the Government re-activated an indirect channel of communication with the republican movement and that an envoy was sent to see Martin McGuinness, who provides the party's strongest link with the IRA. Sinn Fein also claims it was sent a copy of Mr Brooke's landmark speech of November 1990 when he said that Britain had no "selfish strategic or economic interest" in Northern Ireland.

The Brooke three-stranded talks, which dragged on through 1991 and 1992, showed small signs of hope amid the gloom.

Talks between the parties, which Mr Brooke proposed in March 1991, were postponed in April, and by the end of the year the initiative had descended into "talks about talks".

Sinn Fein claims that during the protracted talks it sent its own signals, with Mr McGuinness declaring in 1991 that it would "risk everything" for a peace agenda. Sinn Fein indicated a significant softening of its position the following year with the publication of a document *Towards a Lasting Peace in Northern Ireland*.

This said that Britain would withdraw from Northern Ireland after talks between the British and Irish governments, and not solely as a result of the IRA's campaign.

HULTON DEUTSCH



British troops manning barricades in the Falls Road, Belfast, in August 1969, at the start of 25 years of death and disruption, which at last show genuine signs of abating

The impetus that has brought the IRA to its latest move was triggered by the Hume/Adams talks, announced in April 1993.

Although their eventual agreement has never been published, the two men said that Northern Ireland's conflict could never be solved internally and added that the Irish people had the right to self-determination.

The agreement marked the establishment by Mr Adams of the first of three key contacts that have persuaded the IRA to declare a ceasefire. Mr Adams, with the help of intermediaries, has spent the past year forging the other two links with the Irish government and Irish-American leaders.

However, the Hume/Adams talks were followed by a brutal round of tit-for-tat killings, including the IRA bomb on the Shankill Road last October. The intense political atmosphere speeded negotiations between the British and Irish governments which culminated in the Downing Street Declaration of last December.

This raised Unionist fears that Britain was preparing to disengage from the province after the Government said it would introduce legislation for a united Ireland if that was the view of the majority of people in Northern Ireland. Sinn Fein spun out its response to the declaration for seven months as it tried to win concessions from both governments.

After the British Government finally clarified the document for Sinn Fein in May, the party issued its long-awaited definitive response at a special conference last month. Mr Adams effectively rejected the declaration by criticising the so-called Unionist veto which allows the people of Northern Ireland to decide their own future. However, he held out hope by conceding that the declaration formed an important part of an overall peace process.

London was disappointed, but unsurprised, by Sinn Fein's response. However, the decision nearly scuppered Sinn Fein's tentative links with Dublin, and Irish officials made clear that the IRA would have to deliver a lengthy ceasefire if republicans were to keep the peace process alive.

The faltering progress of the past five years have shown that advances will come slowly, mixed with major setbacks.

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How reformers moved hard men away from their Armalites

BY OUR IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

GERRY Adams and his supporters in the republican movement have spent the past nine months in an exhaustive debate with hard-liners to swing them behind Sinn Fein's political strategy.

He is not a pacifist and has not been urging the IRA to lay down its arms unilaterally. But the Sinn Fein president has tried to convince hawks that his talks with John Hume and his fledgling links with Dublin provide grounds to look seriously at the so-called "unarmed strategy".

The delicate task facing Mr Adams and other Sinn Fein leaders, including Tom Hartley, the chairman, and Mitchel McLaughlin, was illustrated by their response to the Downing Street Declaration of last December. They realised that it was a highly significant step by the British Government, but knew that it fell far short of their demands, let alone those of the hard-liners.

The obstacles they faced were illustrated by the reaction of disgruntled republicans. Bernadette McAliskey, the former nationalist MP, rejected the declaration days after it was published, arguing that it offered nothing to nationalists.

Sinn Fein's attempts to deny there were splits in the party were undermined when a party member told the *Belfast Telegraph* that the declaration was unacceptable. However,

DOVES AND HAWKS

Sinn Fein's special conference last month showed that Mr Adams had won the movement's backing. Delegates voted to support the leadership in effectively rejecting the declaration while emphasising that it was an important part of the peace process. It is understood that before the conference Mr Adams' supporters met IRA members at a local level to win their support.

The progress made within the past nine months was illustrated by the behaviour of republican prisoners on leave. The men who were released on Christmas parole last year soon after the declaration were shielded from the press and their usually open party was attended by only two select journalists.

By the time of summer parole earlier this month, Sinn Fein was liberally sending out invitations to the prisoners' summer party at a bar on the Falls Road in west Belfast. Danny Morrison, Sinn Fein's former director of publicity who is serving an eight-year sentence in the Maze Prison, announced at a highly publicised press conference that republicans were exploring the possibility of an unarmed strategy.

The man who summed up the republican strategy in 1981 with his memorable phrase about taking power with "an Armalite and a ballot paper" declared the movement had moderated its views.



Adams: advocate of "unarmed strategy"



Hume: SDLP leader who talked to Sinn Fein

Lamont likely to lead Tory revolt

PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

POLITICAL DEBATE

NORMAN Lamont, the former Chancellor, will almost certainly head Conservative opposition to any Government concessions to the IRA before they show that they have renounced violence.

Mr Lamont has taken a strong interest in Ulster since returning to the backbenches amid some acrimony last year. His high profile means that he will inevitably be seen as leading the revolt if the Government brings in legislation as part of a constitutional deal that would mean Ireland amending its constitution and giving up its territorial claim to Northern Ireland.

The Government is adamant that it has no intention of weakening Britain's sovereignty over Ulster. But it has not denied that it might amend the 1920 Government of Ireland Act which says that the Westminster Parliament retains supreme authority over all of Northern Ireland. Government officials say the Act is largely redundant and the constitutional guarantee that Ulster will remain a part of the United Kingdom until its people wish otherwise is enshrined in a 1973 constitutional Act, the Anglo-Irish Agreement of 1985 and the Downing Street Declaration of last Christmas, none of which it intends to change.

Even so, the 1920 Act has symbolic importance in Britain and Ireland and moves to change it would undoubtedly provoke a hard core of Tory Unionists to rebel.

While not as substantial as the Maastricht uprising, John Major would again be faced with an internal party battle. Sir George Gardiner, leader of the rightwing 92 group of Tory MPs, voiced the worries on the right this week when he said: "We are in danger of responding to an agenda dictated by the IRA."

Nicholas Budgen, MP for Wolverhampton Southwest, said yesterday that Unionists in Britain and Ulster had been disturbed by leaks from Dublin saying that there would be legislative changes.

He said: "The British Government should say 'Thank you very much. We are glad to hear you have stopped violence but we do not intend to make any special concessions to you any more than we would to any other criminal who stops his activities'."

He said the aspirations of the IRA and the Unionists could not be reconciled. If Sinn Fein gained a seat at the table it could only have done so through violence.

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Twenty-five years of slaughter left 3,160 dead

BY NICHOLAS WATT
IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

TWENTY-FIVE years of violence in Northern Ireland have claimed the lives of more than 3,160 people. Men, women, children, soldiers and police officers have died by bomb and bullet.

While the police and Army have fought it out with terrorists from both sides, it has been civilians caught in the middle who have borne the brunt. A total of 2,219 have died, including several hundred terrorists.

The Army, sent into Northern Ireland on August 14, 1969, has lost 445 men; the RUC 195 and its Reserve 101. The UDR lost 197 before being amalgamated into the Royal Irish Regiment, which has lost five members.

The first British soldier to be killed in the present Troubles was Gunner Robert Curtis, 20, from Newcastle upon Tyne, on February 6, 1971. Since then the slaughter has included:

McGurk's Bar, December 4, 1971: 15 killed in Ulster Volunteer Force bomb attack on north Belfast bar.

Bloody Sunday, January 30, 1972: 1st battalion Parachute Regiment shot dead 13 people in Londonderry.

Aldershot bombing, February 22, 1972: seven killed and 15 hurt when a bomb exploded at the Parachute Brigade HQ.

Bloody Friday, July 21, 1972: 11 killed and 130 injured by 26 IRA bombs in Belfast.

M62 coach bomb, February 4, 1974: 12 died when a bomb exploded on a coach packed with soldiers.

Birmingham pub bombs, November 21, 1974: 21 killed in two IRA bomb blasts.

Kingsmills massacre, January 5, 1976: ten Protestant workers shot dead when their minibus was ambushed at a bogus roadblock.

La Mon House massacre, February 17, 1978: 12 Protestants killed when IRA bomb exploded at a restaurant.

Airey Neave murder, March 3, 1979: Conservative shadow Northern Ireland Secretary killed by INLA car bomb in House of Commons car park.

Warrenpoint massacre, August 27, 1979: 18 soldiers killed by IRA bombs. Hours earlier **Earl Mountbatten of Burma** was killed by an IRA bomb which blew apart his fishing boat off Co Sligo. Three others died with him.

Hyde Park bombing, July 20, 1982: 11 soldiers killed and 50 people injured.

Ballykelly bombing, December 6, 1982: INLA bomb destroyed the Droppin' Well Bar, killing 17 people, 11 of them soldiers.

Harrods bomb, December 17, 1983: six killed, three of them police, and 90 injured.

Brighton bombing, October 1984: five killed and 30 injured by IRA bomb at Grand Hotel during Conservative Party conference.

Newry mortar attack, February 28, 1985: nine RUC officers killed at police station.

Enniskillen massacre, November 11, 1987: 11 killed when the IRA bombed a Remembrance Day service.

Ballygawley bombing, August 30, 1988: eight soldiers killed and 27 injured in IRA attack on their bus.

Deal Barracks bombing, September 22, 1989: 11 Army bandsmen killed.

Ian Gow murder, July 30, 1990: Conservative MP killed by IRA car bomb.

Human bomb, October 24, 1990: man strapped into bomb-laden van by IRA and forced to drive to a border crossing where a bomb exploded, killing him and five soldiers.

Teebane bombing, January 17, 1992: eight Protestant workers killed by IRA bomb.

Bookmakers bombing, February 5, 1992: five Catholics shot dead by UFF.

City of London bombing, April 10, 1992: three killed by IRA bomb.

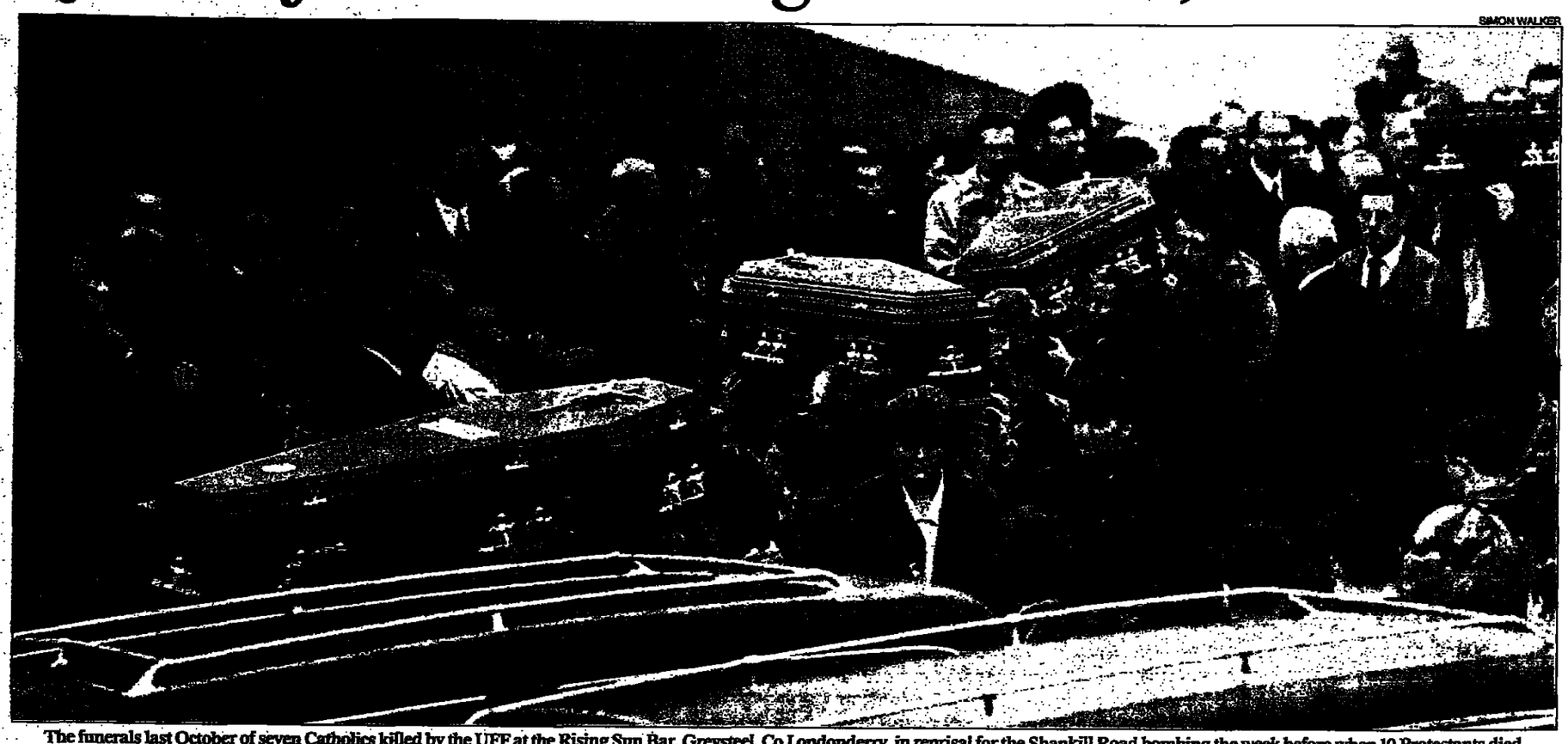
Warrington bombing, March 20, 1993: two IRA bombs killed Jonathan Ball, 3, and Timothy Parry, 12.

Shankill Road bombing, October 23, 1993: ten killed by IRA bomb.

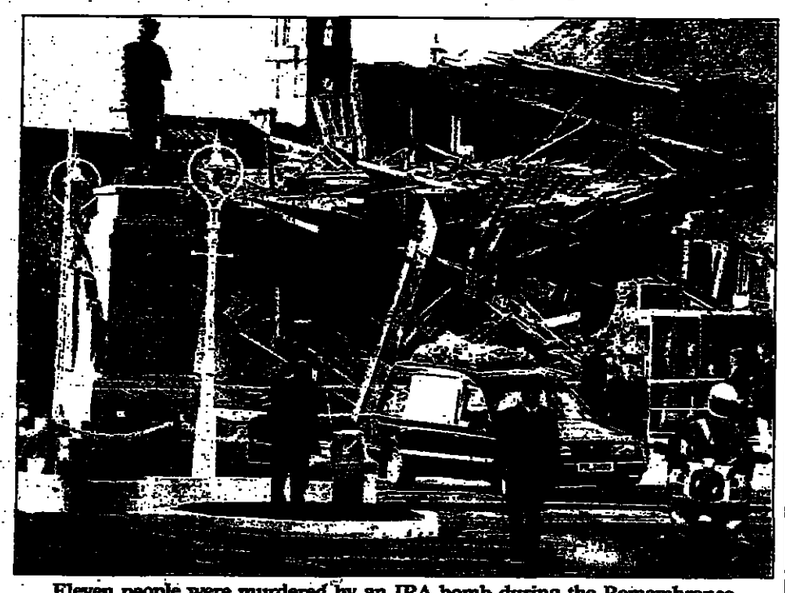
Greysteel massacre, October 30, 1993: Seven Catholics killed in UFF shooting.

Loughinisland shooting, June 18, 1994: six Catholics shot dead in bar by UVF.

SIMON WALKER



The funerals last October of seven Catholics killed by the UFF at the Rising Sun Bar, Greysteel, Co Londonderry, in reprisal for the Shankill Road bombing the week before when 10 Protestants died



Eleven people were murdered by an IRA bomb during the Remembrance Day service at the cenotaph in Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, in November 1987

WHAT THEY SAID

By yesterday morning British troops were patrolling the streets of Belfast. I fear that once Catholics and Protestants get used to our presence they will hate us more than they hate each other
Richard Crossman, Diaries, August 17 1969

There is absolutely no doubt that the Parachute Battalion opened up only after they were fired upon
Major-General Robert Ford (Commander Land Forces), Bloody Sunday, January 30 1972

The tide [has] turned against the terrorists and the message for 1978 is one of real hope
Roy Mason, Northern Ireland Secretary, December 30 1977

Who here really believes we can win the war through the ballot box? But will anyone here object if, with a ballot paper in one hand and the Armalite in the other, we take power in Ireland?
Danny Morrison, Sinn Fein ard fheis, October 31, 1981

O God, in wrath take vengeance upon this wicked, treacherous lying woman
The Rev Ian Paisley after Margaret Thatcher signed the Anglo-Irish Agreement, November 17, 1985

The agreement will bring not peace, but a sword
James Molyneaux, Ulster Unionist leader, November 26 1985

Perhaps it was naive of me to suppose that because it was me they would change their position
Senator Gordon Wilson after meeting the IRA, April 8, 1993

Failed ceasefires resulted in more killings

Adams and McGuinness helped end republican strategy of truces

BY NICHOLAS WATT

IN 1972 and 1975, the IRA declared ceasefires which created a volatile climate and led to killings by renegade republicans and Loyalist paramilitaries.

Hopes that the IRA would abandon violence permanently were soon dashed when the Provisionals unleashed some of their biggest attacks after the ceasefires collapsed.

The present republican leadership, spearheaded by Gerry Adams and Martin McGuinness, vehemently opposed the tactic of ceasefires after the fiascos of 1972 and 1975. The truces led to contacts with the Government which quickly fizzled out and served only to emphasise the gulf between the two sides. The leadership then vowed that it would be interested in a truce only if it won a commitment from Britain to withdraw from Northern Ireland.

The 13-day ceasefire in 1972 began on June 26 when the IRA announced a truce after William Whitelaw, then Northern Ireland Secretary, granted "special category status" for republican and Loyalist prisoners at Belfast's Crumlin Road jail, a key concession to the IRA.

During the ceasefire a republican delegation, including Adams and McGuinness, was flown to London on July 7 to meet Mr Whitelaw at a private house in in Chelsea. The meeting collapsed when the Secretary of State rejected their demands for a British withdrawal by 1975.

Three days later, the ceasefire broke down when the IRA and the Ulster Defence Association clashed in Belfast over a housing dispute. On July 21 the IRA set off 26 bombs in Belfast, killing 11 and injuring 130. The attack led to Operation Motorman when 12,000 troops smashed their way into the "no-go" areas of Belfast and Londonderry. The IRA turned its attention to a bombing campaign on the mainland which culminated in the murder of 28 people in a series of pub bombings in Birmingham, Woolwich and Guildford in October and November 1974.

That December eight Protestant churchmen opened secret talks with the IRA leadership. The meeting led to the next temporary ceasefire, from December 22 to January 2, 1975.

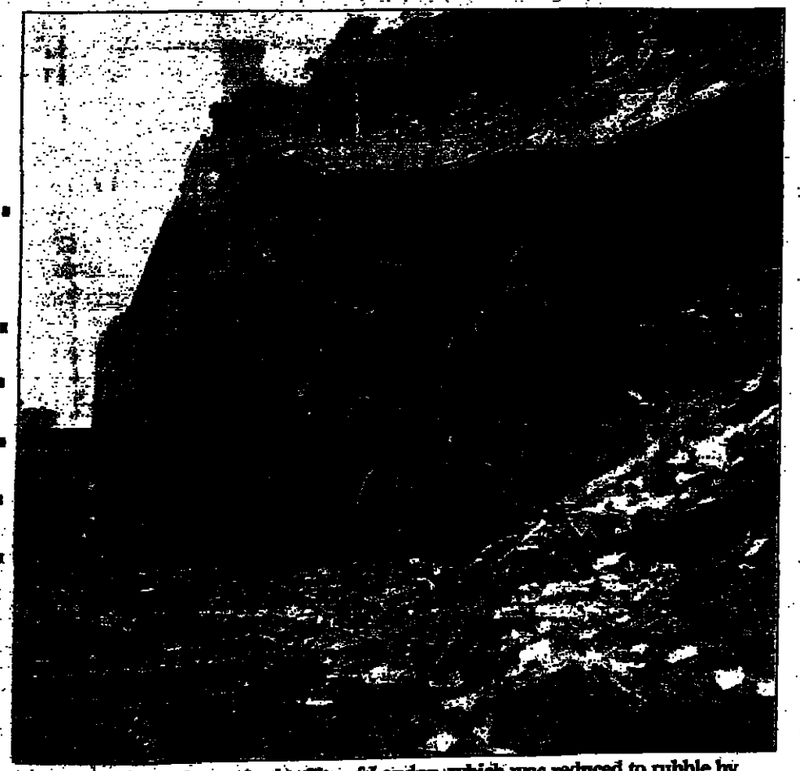
Merlyn Rees, then Northern Ireland Secretary, met some of the churchmen who relayed the IRA's demands, including a call for a declaration of intent of British withdrawal. The Secretary of State said that if there was a genuine cessation of violence, there would be a "new situation to which the British Government would respond". He authorised contact between his officials and Sinn Fein. On February 9 the Provisionals announced a truce that petered out in the summer.

The Government agreed to monitor the ceasefire from a series of "incident centres" manned by Sinn Fein in nationalist areas. The centres had a direct line to civil servants in order to prevent the ceasefire collapsing through misunderstanding.

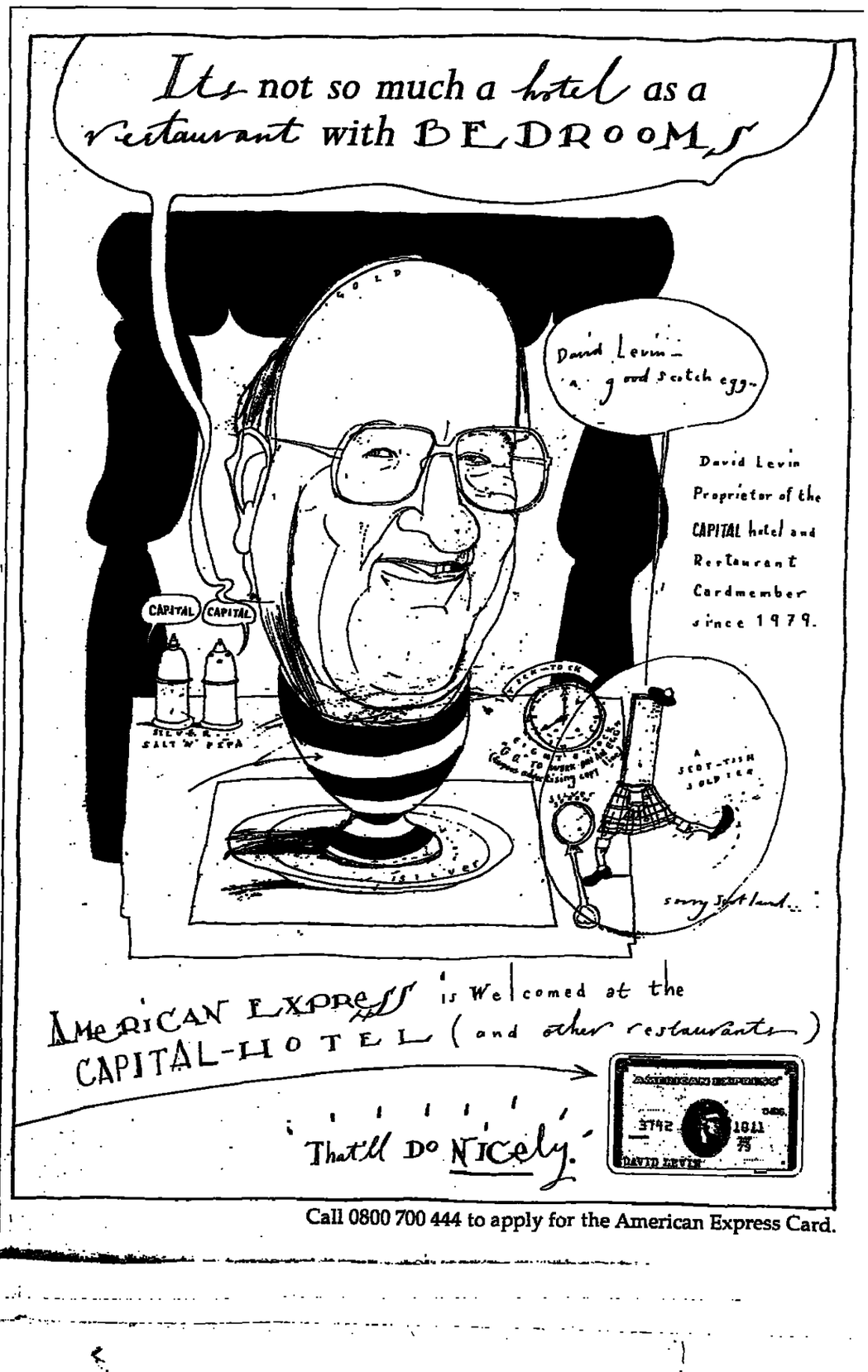
Merlyn Rees said he hoped the ceasefire would make it difficult for the Provisionals to start from scratch. But breakaway sections of the IRA, who sensed the danger, carried on killing.

The failure of the 1975 ceasefire hardened republican opinion against truces, and in 1978 the IRA announced that it was prepared for the "Long War".

Since then, the IRA has called only its traditional three-day Christmas ceasefire. However, in a sign that the republican movement was considering a move towards the "unarmed struggle" the IRA declared a 72-hour ceasefire this April. This was condemned by London and Dublin as no more than a stay of execution.



The Baltic Exchange in the City of London, which was reduced to rubble by an IRA bomb on April 10, 1992. Three people were killed in the explosion



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Universities on course for higher education target

BY JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

UNIVERSITIES and colleges are close to reaching the Government's target for increasing the number of young people going into higher education, more than five years ahead of schedule.

Gillian Shephard, the Education Secretary, announced yesterday that 31 per cent of 17- and 18-year-olds started courses last year. Admissions tutors expect the clearing process to produce another rise this autumn. Some 223,000 students had won university or college places by yesterday, with another rush expected as decisions filtered through after the Bank Holiday weekend. Up to 50,000 places remain to be filled.

The Government is aiming for one in three young people to enter higher education by the end of the decade. With the number of 18-year-olds dropping, the target could be met this year.

By yesterday morning, more than 140,000 candidates had been sent application forms to join the clearing process, which gives a second chance to those rejected by their chosen universities. The fate of another 25,000 was uncertain, but most were thought to have dropped out of the race for places.

Mike Scott, a senior official at the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service, said: "There are plenty of vacancies in science and engineering, although it is always more difficult in some of the arts and social sciences."

Welcoming last year's 9 per cent increase in total student numbers, Mrs Shephard said: "A mere five years ago, only one in six young people entered higher education. Today the figure is almost one in three."

Numbers have been boosted in recent years by mature students, who are now in the majority on British campuses.

The National Union of Students said the figures were misleading because rising levels of debt were increasing the drop-out rate.

Jim Murphy, the NUS president, said: "This is not a success story for the Government, it is a sign of failure. I will be writing to the Secretary of State to request a meeting to tackle the need to both review the student financial support system but also, in the light of widespread public concern, to review the mechanism for facilitating entry into higher education."

Degree vacancies, page 19

Parents set up helpline

BY BEN PRESTON, EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

A TELEPHONE helpline for students overcome by the pressure of examinations is being set up by the parents of a young woman who hanged herself hours after discovering her A-level grades were disappointing.

Charles and Xandra Thompson, of Northrepps, Norfolk, are establishing the advice service as a tribute to their 20-year-old daughter Charlotte. They hope the service, to be based in Norwich and possibly called the A-Line, will prevent similar tragedies.

Charlotte, a pupil at Norwich High School, was found dead 13 days ago. An inquest was told that despite passing four subjects, she believed her grades were not good enough for a place at her chosen universities.

Mr Thompson said: "When Charlotte got her results there was nobody for her to turn to for advice. She told her friends she just wanted to be alone. But what she did was not just a one-off. Kids are doing it all over the country because of the pressure of A levels. No amount of time, tears, recriminations or 'if onlys' will ever bring our daughter back. But hopefully some good can now come out of the tragedy."



Gerald Kaufman, who faces a reselection challenge after 24 years as a "popular and hard-working" MP for Manchester Gorton

Challenger to Kaufman faces fraud investigation

BY ANDREW PIERCE

AN Asian businessman who is challenging Gerald Kaufman's reselection as a Labour parliamentary candidate, is at the centre of a fraud investigation.

Ahmed Shahzad was forced to stand down as a Brent councillor in March after an internal inquiry into the sale of council buildings in the north London borough.

Mr Shahzad, an estate agent of Pakistani origin, was arrested in April after the report was passed to Scotland Yard. He was released on police bail and two council officers were suspended. The inquiry is continuing. He has denied any impropriety.

Mr Kaufman has been MP for Manchester Gorton since 1970. Mr Shahzad has said he is seeking the nomination because of support from constituency members. He was unavailable for comment yesterday.

The constituency party is divided over allegations by 600 Asians that their applications to join have been delayed by the party hierarchy, to deny them a vote in the reselection process. They are seeking a meeting with Tony Blair, the Labour leader. Many of the applicants would be expected to support Mr Shahzad.

The regional party refutes the charge and says only 300 Asians are involved. Officials say the delays are due to administrative problems.

Support for Mr Kaufman remains firm in the ethnic minority community in Gorton. Khan Moghul, a Labour councillor, said: "Gerald Kaufman is a popular and hard-working MP."

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Drug gangs try football truce

A truce has been struck between warring drug gangs in Moss Side and surrounding Manchester inner-city areas, according to community leaders (Stewart Tendler writes). Members of the Gooch Close Posse, the Doddington Posse and the Manchester Cheetham Hill gang are reported to have taken the field against each other in Sunday-morning football matches. The friendly matches have been refereed by a local community worker. The matches are a far cry from the gun battles of the past 18 months that have led to the deaths of six people, including Benji Stanley, 14, killed on his way to buy chips.

Father Phil Sumner, a local community leader, emphasised that the truce did not mean violence would end, although there had been a movement during the summer towards peace on the streets. People had realised that the violence was out of control and they had also discovered that drug buyers were being frightened from coming into the area to purchase their supplies. Father Sumner said the "truce" had been negotiated by the gang members themselves during meetings at dances or local carnivals.

Virus tracks pollution

Viruses with a unique "tattoo" to track down polluters are to be used by the National Rivers Authority. The bacteriophages, which infect bacteria, will be modified so that each carries its own DNA code. The phages will be inserted into bacteria, and released into drainage channels. Samples taken later from the river will be scanned to detect the code and identify the source of the pollution. Clearance has been given by the Department of the Environment's gene advisory committee.

100 call poison line

More than 100 calls have been received by police in Edinburgh hunting the poisoner who spiked Safeway tonic water with a derivative of deadly nightshade. Most have come from customers of the supermarket chain who bought bottles of its own-brand tonic water from the Edinburgh store at the centre of the investigation. A handful are being followed up by police who still do not know the motive for the poisoning which put four people in hospital. No blackmail message has been received.

Sikh wins knife battle

A 14-year-old Sikh boy is to return to school after it was agreed that he could carry his *kirpan*, a dagger, to classes. The boy was excluded from Thomas Muir High School in Bishopbriggs, Strathclyde, in April because the *kirpan* broke health and safety rules. He has been tutored at home while a compromise was worked out but the youth, a member of a strict Sikh order, will now be allowed to wear his *kirpan* to school so long as it is sheathed and worn beneath his outer clothing.

Carey to visit China



The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, right, will visit China next month. On the way, he will meet with Chris Patten, the Governor of Hong Kong. None of the newspaper journalists invited to travel with him, including *The Times*, has been granted a visa by the Chinese authorities, nor has the BBC, ITN and an independent television company are to be granted visas.

Tycoon murder appeal

Police hunting the killer of Kenneth Brown, 56, a reclusive businessman whose body was found in a chicken coop at his home at Barrow upon Soar, Leicestershire, last Friday, appealed for help in tracing two men seen in the area at about the time of the murder. Det Supt Dave Cox said a motorist saw two men about a half mile from Mr Brown's high-security home last Thursday night. As the car's headlights picked out the men, they ducked off the road and into some woods.

Time runs out for BST

Britain's clocks could be brought into line with those on the Continent within two years under plans for a private member's Bill. Under the proposal, Britain would not turn the clocks back in October 1996. Clocks would then be put forward an hour in March 1997, and back an hour the following October. The Daylight Extra pressure group hopes to have a supporter high enough in the annual ballot for a private member's Bill to be submitted to the Commons in November.



Public Record Office security tightened

Obsessed collector jailed for stealing rare beer labels

BY JOHN VINCENT

THE world's leading authority on beer bottle labels was jailed for 18 months yesterday after his "obsession" led him to steal rare and unique examples from archives at the Public Record Office in Kew.

Keith Osborne, 47, who has been dismissed from his job as a local government officer since being convicted at Kingston Crown Court on July 29, appeared dumbstruck as he was sentenced by Judge Paiba.

Peter Tester, for the defence, had pleaded for community service for his client, saying the offences were "completely and utterly out of character" and that a prison sentence would be "an entirely crushing blow" to him and his family.

Judge Paiba said, however: "You built up a mammoth collection of 30,000 beer bottle labels worth £50,000 and in my view it became an obsession.

"You were in the privileged position of being able to see and handle the national archive, which is of immense importance to the nation. The courts will be rigorous in dealing with thefts of this sort."

Osborne, of Camberley, Surrey, a registered reader at the Public Record Office for 20 years, had been found guilty of nine theft charges involving 28 labels during a 15-month period up to August last year.

He was jailed for 18 months on each count, the sentences to run concurrently, and given 12 months to pay costs of £2,992.

The court was told that Osborne, the respected president of The Labologists' Society, topped up his personal collection by using a razor blade to cut out pages from antique volumes. He would hide a blade in his handkerchief, cut out the cardboard pages and soak off the labels in a lavatory cistern.

A watch was kept after a guard heard running water in the lavatory and found a page of labels in the cistern. Osborne's activities were captured on a security camera in the reading room at the Public Record Office, where 60 million records are stored.

The labels he stole were dated between 1884 and 1925 and included unique examples of seven long-forgotten British breweries. None of the labels has been found.

Osborne, who is in the *Guinness Book of Records* as having the largest collection of different British beer labels, denied he mutilated or stole any labels.

Mr Tester said Osborne had suffered severe depression and had received in-patient hospital treatment. The offences had been committed when he was not himself.

He had been publicly disgraced by the publicity and being sent to prison "would be



Osborne's entry in the Guinness records book

a blow that was entirely crushing. It is difficult to know how he could possibly bear such a sentence", Mr Tester said.

Osborne, a collector of beer bottle labels for 30 years, is the author of *The Beer Drinkers' Guide to Labology*, the official handbook of the Labologist Society, which was founded in 1958 and has 500 members worldwide.

Until 1834, when the duty on glass was repealed in England, beer was not bottled to any great extent and beer labels were unknown until the 1840s. Labelled bottles came into general use in about 1885.

Security at the Public Record Office has been reviewed since Osborne's offences came to light. Last night, Beverley Osborne said her husband would be appealing.

"He is not guilty," she said. "They searched the house and found nothing. He has lost his job through this. Being in such a high position it is going to be very difficult to get another job.

"If he had killed somebody or hit somebody in his car he would have got 28 days — perhaps even a holiday thrown in. As it is the sentence is ridiculous. Anyway, he didn't do it. He was convicted on circumstantial evidence. They had no solid evidence against him."

Mrs Osborne said that her husband, who has a five-year-old son, used to be secretary of the Labologists' Society but gave it up to be president instead because he wanted to spend more time with his family.

"The judge said this hobby was an obsession," she said. "But this is not the case. He enjoyed collecting labels and researching breweries — but he was not obsessed. The reason he took so much interest over the past two years was because he couldn't cope with work. He used to sit around like a zombie.

"The doctor told him to have a hobby — and he did this research to get his confidence and interest in life back," Mrs Osborne said. "Keith has never been in trouble and has worked himself up in his career and earned everybody's respect.

"Even when he was ill for two years with depression and stress from work with all the changes going on in local government, he was still very highly thought of. People who know him cannot believe it. He has always been honest and trustworthy," Mrs Osborne said.

Osborne was members' services manager of Hart Council in Fleet, Hampshire. Until local government restructuring last year he was assistant director (administration).



NEWSTEAM

Diane Modahl, the 800-metre runner sent home from the Commonwealth Games when a urine sample tested positive for drugs, leaving her home in Sale, Manchester, yesterday. She is awaiting results of tests on the second half of the sample, expected today. Report, page 1

Probation for girl who took baby

BY BILL FROST

A TEENAGER who abducted a six-day-old boy from a maternity ward after being told she would probably never have a child of her own was yesterday put on probation for two years.

The 17-year-old, described as desperate to be a mother, took the baby from University College Hospital, London, after posing as a visitor to the unit. She was arrested less than a half hour after the abduction as she tried to feed the infant in another part of the hospital, Camden Youth Court was told.

The teenager, who is partially blind, will have to live in a hostel for the first six months as a condition of probation.

Malcolm McHaffie, for the prosecution, told the court that just before the abduction on June 13, the girl, who admitted the offence, went to a chemist's shop and bought nappies, a dummy, baby food and clothing. After entering the hospital she made straight for the maternity unit, where she posed as a visitor and searched for a baby who was not directly being looked after.

She eventually took a baby called Emile from his cot while his mother was talking to a doctor elsewhere in the unit, Mr McHaffie said.

However, news of the abduction spread quickly through the hospital and suspicious staff called the police when the teenager asked for hot water in order to make a feed for the baby.

At an earlier hearing Janet Irving, for the defence, told magistrates that the girl, originally from Liverpool, committed the offence only after "things came to a head" in her unhappy life. She had an ovarian cyst removed early this year and a second one had since been discovered. It was now "99 per cent certain" the girl would never be able to conceive.

Woman with job was paid £33,000 invalidity benefit

BY PAUL WILKINSON

A WOMAN whom doctors said was too crippled by arthritis to work, kept a job for almost 17 years while claiming invalidity benefit. Jean Thompson, 59, worked as a telephonist because state handouts did not meet the cost of bringing up three children alone, Teesside Crown Court was told yesterday.

When civil servants were tipped off last year about her job she confessed immediately to obtaining £33,333 from the Department of Social Security since 1977. Despite her condition, which means she can only walk with crutches, she made a 30-mile round trip daily to work by public transport from her home in Peterlee, Co Durham.

Yesterday after hearing her described as a person of otherwise unblemished character, Judge Fox QC gave her a nine-month jail sentence suspended for two years.

Thompson, who wept in court, admitted two specimen charges of obtaining £63.50 from the DSS last August. The judge said it was an exceptional case. "For that reason I can suspend the prison sentence which is unavoidable for £33,000 worth of dishonesty. I cannot imagine that you will offend again. I am confident that you will restore your good name."

Eric Elliott, for the prosecution, said Thompson received just £2.50 a week in maintenance from her ex-husband, whom she left because he was violent. She had worked since 1975, despite being declared unfit in 1977.

Jamie Adams, for the defence, said: "All the money she had, legitimately or otherwise, was spent on her family's needs. She had an increasing sense of guilt, but it was something she was able to push into the background.

"The irony is that she has been an invalid all this time and has been prepared to work, whereas others would be content to let the state look after them entirely."

Thompson, who is waiting for a knee operation, is no longer working. She has already repaid £250 and the DSS has agreed to recover the balance at £10 a week from her benefits.

Pop star's paternity case is dismissed

A CLAIM by a woman living in America that the pop star Boy George is the father of her eight-year-old love child was dismissed yesterday.

The Family Proceedings Court in Marylebone, central London, refused further to adjourn the case, started last September, because of lack of evidence from the woman.

The singer, sued under his real name of George O'Dowd, had said he had never made love to a woman.

Yesterday's hearing was told that the case had been adjourned last November for



George: said he never made love to a woman

DNA tests. It was further adjourned in March for blood samples but there had been no response from America.

Graham Parkinson, the magistrates' chairman, said no information had been received from the woman or the American authorities. "We are not prepared to adjourn for further information."

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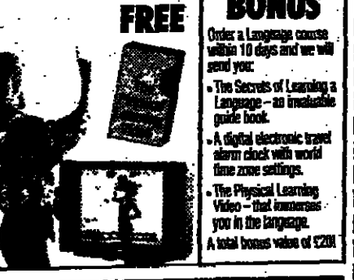
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Fishing's policeman rides out the tuna storm

By Michael Hornsby, Agriculture Correspondent

BRITAIN'S chief fisheries policeman is determined to enforce the law even if that means having his name cursed in every port from Newlyn to Barcelona.

Geoff Jennings, a 58-year-old civil servant who operates from a grey outpost of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in Smith Square near the Houses of Parliament, is the man whom many Cornish tuna fishermen would happily have keelhauled earlier this month.

It was Mr Jennings, head of the fisheries inspectorate for England and Wales, who authorised the Royal Navy to seize control of the Padstow-based vessel, *Charisma*, after it came under suspicion of fishing for tuna with drift nets longer than the maximum 2.5km allowed.

"I am not too popular," he admitted with an unrepentant chuckle in an interview with *The Times*. "I am enforcing rules which the European Community has laid down in the belief that they will benefit fish stocks and the fishing industry. That means imposing restraints on what fishermen would like, and arguably need, to do to make a living. I get plenty of complaints from British fishermen, who accuse me of picking on them. I also get lots of complaints from French and Belgian fishermen, who say I am too tough.

"In fact, I get complaints from almost every direction, so perhaps I am doing my job properly after all."

Mr Jennings' troubles started on the weekend of August 6-7 when the *Charisma*'s irate skipper, Barrie Ball, locked himself in his wheelhouse and refused to sail to the Devonport naval base to have his nets measured.

"Normally a skipper suspected of an offence accepts the situation and agrees to come quietly. The commander of the naval patrol vessel escorting Mr Ball spent three hours trying to persuade him to do the same.

"Only when that failed did I authorise the Navy to break down the wheelhouse door," he said.

Mr Jennings, who spent ten years as a navigating officer in the Merchant Navy before taking up his present job in 1987, is responsible for 90,000 square miles of ocean, roughly all the water within Britain's 200-mile fishing limits "south of a maritime extension of Hadrian's Wall". Above that line his Scottish counterpart takes over.

On a typical day about 300 foreign and up to 4,000 British fishing boats may be scattered across this expanse of water.

In the case of the *Charisma*, Mr Jennings said, the Navy had acted on "reasonable suspicion" that an offence had been committed. He disclosed, however, that the estimate of the net's total length had been based on measurement of only a section of it. On return to port the net was found to exceed the legal maximum by only 153 metres.

Peace has returned to the fishing grounds for the time being. But further conflict is inevitable. "You are dealing with an industry that is inherently difficult to control", Mr Jennings said.



Jennings: "I must be doing my job properly"



Anna and Lubov Kotzev, who arrived in Corby, Northamptonshire, from Bulgaria four years ago and quickly achieved academic success

East Europeans find the living is easy

■ Four years after the fall of the Berlin Wall, residents of the former Soviet bloc are heading to Britain in large numbers. Half a million arrived last year; 42,000 were given temporary permission to stay. Dominic Kennedy concludes his look at the new visitors to Britain

FOUR years after arriving in Britain from Bulgaria without a word of English, Anna Kotzev is heading for Cambridge University with with A grades in all her examinations.

Her younger sister Lubov, 16, has won a scholarship to be a sixth-form boarder at a public school.

Their parents are scientists who left Bulgaria to work in Britain shortly after the fall of communism.

The girls' father Dimiter, 44, said: "We are going to stay here, we feel this is our home. Many British people have gone to work in Bulgaria, so the movement is both ways. That's the way it should be."

Mr Kotzev, an expert in cyanoacrylate synthesis and adhesives, and his wife Vega, 44, a polymer chemist, now work for Chemence, a company which makes glue, in Corby, Northamptonshire. The family have settled well into the way of life here. "We are beginning to be typically English," Mr Kotzev said. "We went on holiday to Spain this year."

When the family came to Corby, the girls, then 14 and 11, were enrolled at the local comprehensive, Lodge Park. The state provided special English language classes and within a year they began overtaking their fellow pupils.

Anna scored her first A grade in a GCSE when she took Russian two years early. After gaining another eight A grades at GCSE, she went to Oakham School, Leicestershire, as a sixth-form boarder with a scholarship. She edited the school magazine and was a member of the debating society.

She is enthusiastic about English boarding school life. "The first time I heard about hockey I assumed it was on ice. 'I was especially surprised that girls played it, and I was shocked to be taken out on the fields with hockey sticks."

Anna, 18, achieved A grades in her History, Maths and Russian A levels, along with Philosophy and Further Maths AS levels. She will read law at Peterhouse in Cambridge this autumn, and hopes to become a barrister.

Lubov won a place at the Brooke-Weston City Technology College in Corby, and was named the outstanding student of the year after joining in the third year. She has 11 GCSEs, (ten A grades and one B) and begins her sixth-form studies at Uppingham School, Leicestershire, next month. Her ambition is to become an artist.

Among her fellow sixth-formers in Uppingham will be two Czechs, a Bulgarian and a Macedonian, who won scholarships through the Headmaster's Conference East European Initiative, which is bringing 70 pupils to independent schools this year.

Another success story from the former Eastern bloc is Milan Vicek, who was sent to Britain from communist Czecholovakia in 1988, a year before the Velvet Revolution, to help supply brand names of whisky, gin and ketchup to hard-currency stores.

Today, he is commercial director of a trading company, the Hiram Walker Group, with an annual turnover of £9.5 million. He lives in a rented flat in Hampstead, northwest London. His wife, son and daughter all live in Britain, which he hopes to make the family home.

When he first came here, his communist government forbade him from any unnecessary contact with foreigners. His daughter Marketa was required to attend the Russian school in London.

After the collapse of communism in 1989, Mr Vicek joined the trade associations for the products he sells.

Marketa was enrolled at a state school in Highgate, north London. Now 18, she has just passed three A levels and hopes to go to university.

The end of Communism had meant "an absolutely brilliant opportunity".

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R-R puts power into new Airbus

The first European Airbus aircraft to be powered by Rolls-Royce engines will have its rolling out ceremony today.

The Airbus A330 will be shown off by Cathay Pacific, its new owner, at next week's Farnborough Air Show. The equipping of the A330 with Rolls-Royce engines means that for the first time Airbus Industrie has produced an all-European plane. Up until now, engines from the American groups, Pratt and Whitney and General Electric, have powered the Airbus, in which BAe has a 20 per cent stake.

Theft charge

Nigel Burrows, a former director of Manchester United, has been bailed to appear before Harrogate magistrates next month after being arrested yesterday and charged with stealing £250,000 from clients of his financial services company.

Solicitor jailed

Basil Mellon, 68, a solicitor from Newcastle who stole almost £150,000 from clients for a shipping venture in Gibraltar, was jailed for two and a half years by Teesside Crown Court yesterday.

Girl 'stranded'

National Express has apologised and promised an investigation after Sarah Elatar, 16, travelling from London to Leeds, was stranded in Harrogate after she missed her stop. The firm said she did not get off at her stop despite a driver's announcement.

Pay promise

Nigel Jones, Liberal Democrat MP for Cheltenham, said yesterday he would donate half of his £1,500 pay rise to charity. "A 4.7 per cent pay increase is the wrong message," he said.

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Sue and Jack Harrison are offering their dry-cleaning firm in Forfar, Tayside, as first prize in a competition. They hope the £10 entry form, including a word game and tie-breaker, will raise £70,000.

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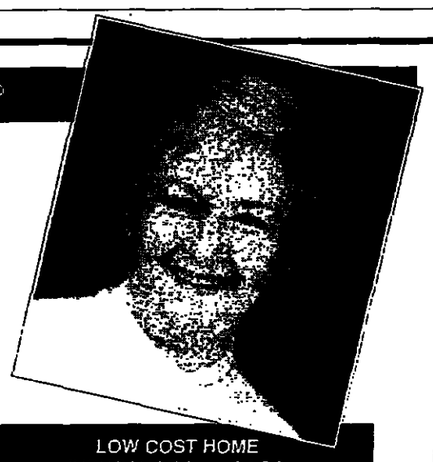
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Elderly victim of conman gets token payout

By Frances Gibb, Legal Correspondent

AN ELDERLY woman who lost her sole asset, a valuable London flat, to a fraudster and ended up wrongly imprisoned through a series of bunglings by lawyers and officials, has been refused all but token compensation.

Betty Hayward, 68, has been seeking redress for more than 20 years since she lost her flat to her tenant, a man described by Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, as an "undischarged bankrupt" and "confidence trickster".

Last week her hopes were finally dashed when lawyers who have now taken up her fight were told by the Lord Chancellor's Department that there were no grounds for reopening the case.

The decision comes in spite of a recommendation from the Lay Observer, the statutory legal watchdog that investigated Miss Hayward's case, that she should receive compensation from the Law Society.

Miss Hayward, a former teacher who now lives in a council flat, said: "I have had the door slammed in my face. I feel totally outraged that as an honest, hard-working citizen, one should be denied everything — one's property, reputation — and even my family won't speak to me. They still believe me guilty of something."

Her single-handed fight for justice without adequate or competent legal advice landed her in Holloway prison for contempt of court for four days because, as Lord Denning said when considering her appeal, the trial judge had been "kept in ignorance" of material facts.

The saga began in 1971 when Miss Hayward took a year's holiday and put her flat into agents' hands to let. The self-styled "Vicomte de Borenden", also known as Morley, rented the flat and persuaded her to raise a larger mortgage while granting him him a longer lease than one year.

He fell behind with the rent and she served notice on him to quit. In the complex legal wranglings which followed, he managed to persuade the courts he was entitled to a 24-year lease, rent fully paid, and issued proceedings claiming Miss Hayward had forfeited the lease.

Miss Hayward was jailed in 1973 after entering her own flat in breach of an injunction obtained by De Borenden, who succeeded in persuading the courts that she had forfeited him the lease. She then failed to obtain legal aid from the Law Society, which at the time ran the legal aid scheme.

Miss Hayward's case was investigated in 1987 by Lionel Lightman, then the Lay Observer. He concluded that her failure to obtain legal aid to pursue the solicitor who advised her or to try to recover her flat, was "the main cause" of her not receiving any compensation. He recommended that the Law Society make an ex gratia award. The society said Miss Hayward had not formally applied for legal aid and that it had no power to award compensation. It has since agreed to make a token payment of £2,000.



Hayward: 20-year fight for justice

The Lord Chancellor's Department said: "Obviously we are sympathetic to Miss Hayward but this is not a matter for us and we feel we have taken it as far as we can."

KEENE on CHESS

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Russian scores a record

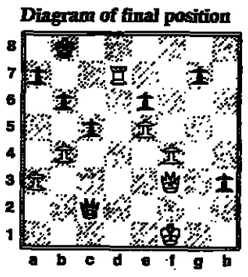
THE Russian teenager Alexander Morozevich finished with the record score of 9.5 points from 10 in the Lloyds Bank Masters which concluded in London on Monday. His rating performance of 2970 on the international scale is also record for a tournament held in the United Kingdom. It is the third highest rating performance in the history of chess, after that by Bobby Fischer in the 1964 US Championship (3000+ on the international scale, unprecedentedly winning all of his games in the tournament) and Anatoly Karpov at Linares, Spain, earlier this year, with a 2977 points rating performance. Morozevich's last round win, given below, left him 1.5 points clear of the field.

White: Alexander Morozevich
Black: Utut Adianto
Lloyds Bank Masters, August 1994

Caro-Kann Defence

1	e4	c6
2	d4	d5
3	e5	Bf5
4	c4	dxc4
5	Bxc4	e6
6	Ne2	Nd7
7	0-0	Nb6
8	Bb3	Ne7
9	Nbc3	h5
10	Bg5	h4
11	f3	Qd7
12	Qe1	Ned5
13	Rd1	Be7
14	Bxe7	Qxe7
15	Qd2	0-0-0
16	Ne4	Kb8
17	N2c3	h3
18	g3	Bg6
19	Rc1	Qb4
20	Qf2	Ne7
21	Rfd1	Nf5
22	a3	Qe7
23	Na4	Nd5
24	Nac5	f6
25	Rd3	b6
26	Ne6+	Kb7
27	Bc4	bxc5
28	dxe5	Nc7
29	Nxc7	Qxc7
30	f4	Kb8
31	Rxd8+	Rxd8
32	Ng5	Rd4
33	g4	Qd7
34	gxf5	Bxf5
35	Qe3	Rxc4
36	Rxc4	Qd1+
37	Kf2	Qh1
38	Nf3	Bg4
39	Rc3	c5
40	b4	Bxd3
41	Qxd3	Qd2+
42	Kf1	Qd2
43	Rd3	Qc1+
44	Rd1	Qc2
45	Rd7	Black resigns

Diagram of final position



Intel qualifiers

THE top five from the Lloyds Bank Masters have qualified for the first round of the Intel Grand Prix which starts today and runs until Saturday. The five qualifiers are: Alexander Morozevich (Russia), Romuald Mainka (Germany), Utut Adianto (Indonesia), Vladislav Tkachiev (Bulgaria) and Ralf Akesson (Sweden).

Garry Kasparov, the Giant Pieces World champion, and last year's challenger Nigel Short introduced the Intel Grand Prix by playing a six move draw yesterday (Tuesday) on giant pieces in the open air at London's Broadgate Centre near Liverpool Street station. The field for the event includes Viswanathan Anand, Michael Adams, Vladimir Kramnik and the computer program Chess Genius 2.

Kasparov, 31, has drawn the Pentium processor as his opponent in the opening rounds of the £100,000 knock-out tournament.

Nigel Short, 29, drew Bosnian Grand Master Predrag Nikolic. Michael Adams, 22, will meet the world's leading exponent of speed chess, Vishy Anand, 24, from India.

As a result of the ticket offer in last Friday's *Times*, the first two days are now sold out. However, tickets are still available for Friday's quarter-finals and the semi-finals and final on Saturday. The venue is the Conference Forum, Sedgwick Centre, London E1, nearest tube, Aldgate East. For tickets and other details ring 071 388 2404.

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Clinton offers to increase visas if Cuba halts exodus

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

THE Clinton Administration will this week offer to increase dramatically the number of legal Cuban immigrants it accepts each year, if President Castro agrees to stop the mass exodus of Cuban boat people seeking to reach Florida.

The Cuban leader claimed last week that America's failure to grant Cubans more residency visas was a principal cause of the sudden new exodus. The Administration therefore hopes its offer, to be made at mid-level talks scheduled to begin in New York tomorrow, will put an end to the crisis.

Michael Skol, the second-ranking official in the State Department's Latin America bureau, will head the American delegation. He will be joined by Justice Department and immigration officials. The Administration hopes the talks will "facilitate safe and orderly and legal migration", Dee Dee Myers, the White House press secretary, said. Rafael Dauza, spokesman at the Cuban diplomatic mission, had no information on the make-up of his country's delegation or the Cuban government's goals for the talks. "You can be sure we will be free to talk about any subject," he said.

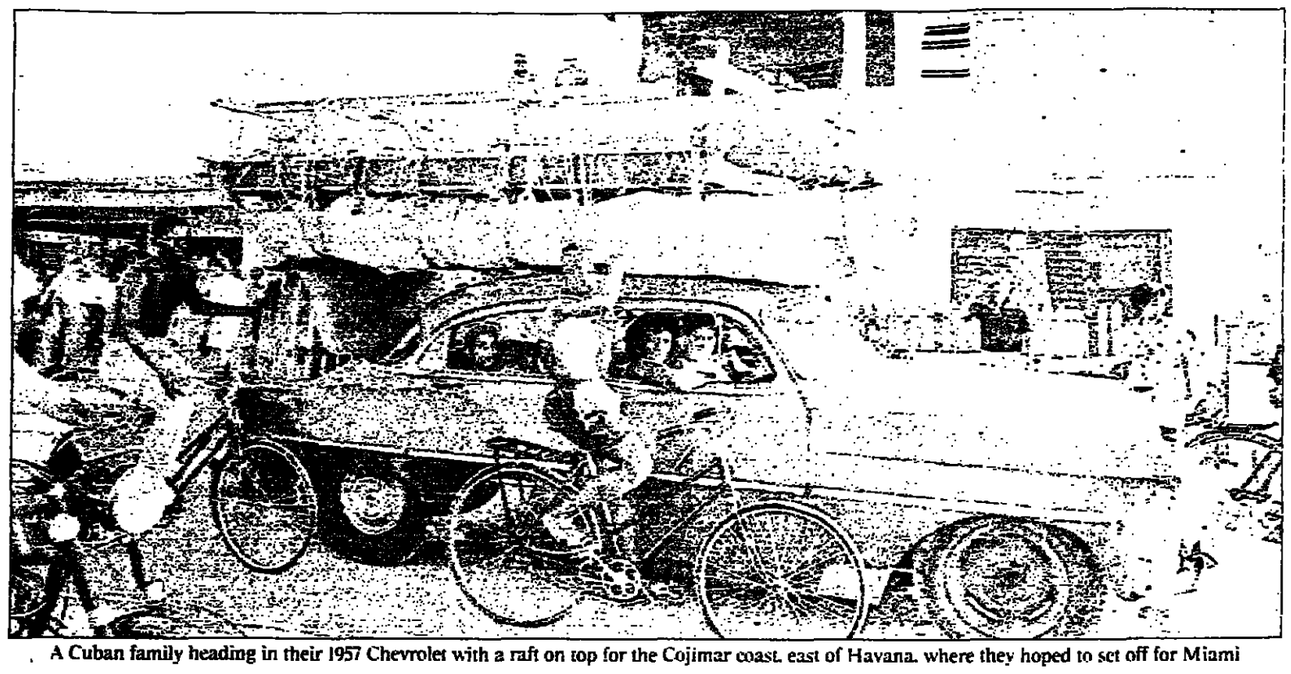
Cuba wants wide-ranging talks with the United States but has agreed to limit the initial phase to immigration questions. The Clinton Administration has said the talks will be restricted to that issue.

Washington officials are not certain Dr Castro will accept the quid pro quo, but the more Cubans America accepts each year the greater his scope for getting rid of the political dissidents challenging his regime. America now grants residents' visas to fewer than 3,000 Cubans annually, even though it is legally authorised to accept 27,485. The Administration is expected to say that it will in future grant visas to more than 20,000 Cubans a year by granting entry to cousins and grandparents of Cuban-Americans, relaxing the definition of a refugee, and giving instant visas to the bulk of the 19,700 Cubans who have spent up to ten years on the waiting list.

In return, Dr Castro would not only have to readopt his past policy of preventing boat people putting to sea, but agree to take back 226 Cuban boat people being held at the Guantánamo Bay naval base who have asked to be repatriated. Officials were also considering whether to ask him to take back 1,200 criminals who came to America in the 1980 Mariel boat lift.

News of the US offer came as weather improved and a new flotilla of rafts put to sea, though not in anything like the numbers of last week. On Monday, US Coast Guard and naval vessels picked up 295 Cubans, compared to last week's average of 2,300 a day. Stormy weather made sailing almost impossible at the weekend, and Dr Castro also announced that he was barring teenagers and children from the makeshift rafts, but American officials said President Clinton's decision to deny the boat people entry was also a major factor in the fall-off. "Growing numbers of Cubans understand that they will not come to the US if they are picked up," Peter Tarnoff, the Under Secretary of State, said. With roughly 14,000 Cubans now being held at Guantánamo, more than 2,200 dependants of American servicemen on the base were yesterday being flown back home to reduce the demand for water and electricity.

Panama is willing to receive up to 10,000 Cuban refugees, so long as the United States houses and takes responsibility for them, a senior official said. "That is the number we're handling," said Lewis Galindo, who will become Foreign Minister when President-elect Ernesto Perez Balladares takes office tomorrow. President Clinton, who is on holiday in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, meanwhile dined on Monday night with Gabriel Garcia Márquez, the Colombian novelist and Nobel laureate who is a close friend of Dr Castro. The author recently described Dr Castro as a "very cultured, well-read man", but there was no immediate White House comment on his conversation with the President.



A Cuban family heading in their 1957 Chevrolet with a raft on top for the Cojimar coast, east of Havana, where they hoped to set off for Miami

America steps up pressure on Haiti

BY MARTIN FLETCHER

A UNITED Nations attempt to open one last round of talks with Haiti's military regime collapsed yesterday, and the Clinton Administration acted firmly to dispel the impression that its invasion plans had been sidetracked by the Cuban refugee crisis.

UN sources said its emissary, Rolf Knuttson, had returned to New York from the Dominican Republic after being refused access to Haiti's military leaders. He had hoped to pave the way for one last UN mission to negotiate the regime's surrender.

Strobe Talbott, the US Deputy Secretary of State, and John Deutch, the Deputy Defence Secretary, flew to Jamaica yesterday for an 11-nation Caribbean conference that was expected to result in several of the member states pledging military support for either the US-led invasion force or the post-invasion peacekeeping force.

Reporters accompanying the two men were told that America was "moving briskly" towards an invasion by roughly 10,000 troops unless Haiti's military stepped down quickly and permitted the return of Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the ousted President.

"We are very close to exhausting all peaceful means," the officials said, pointedly adding that "we can keep the Haiti policy on track while dealing with Cuba".

On Monday, *The New York Times* reported that the Cuban refugee crisis had sidetracked the Administration and that an invasion of Haiti might not happen until that emergency was over, and perhaps not until after November's congressional elections. The officials' comments, and the presence of two such senior Administration figures at the Jamaica conference, was part of a determined attempt to counter that story and sustain the pressure on Haiti's military.

The State Department had sent a similar message late on Monday, when it said that the regime's assassination of Jean-Marie Vincent, a priest loyal to Mr Aristide, earlier that day had made an invasion still more likely.

Quayle to decide in November on presidential race

BY OUR WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT

DAN Quayle, President Bush's much-ridiculed Vice-President, said yesterday that he was thinking about running for President in 1996, but he added that he would not make any decision until after the November mid-term elections.

Though his office refused to comment yesterday, Mr Quayle is said to have been greatly encouraged by the success of his memoirs, *Standing Firm*, which has sold more than 500,000 copies since its publication this spring, and reportedly won his family's blessing for a presidential bid during a long holiday this summer. He has chosen to disregard the advice of political allies who argued he should wait until 2000 and possibly seek a lesser post, such as Governor of Indiana, in the meantime.

Seven of the past 11 Vice-Presidents have gone on to win their party's presidential nomination, but Mr Quayle faces a formidable battle to secure this one.

He has a hard core of support among Republican conservatives and the Religious Right, and the controversial "family values" theme he pushed in the 1992 election has since been adopted by President Clinton. However, he has not yet shaken off the image of a lightweight bumbler that dogged him throughout his four years as Vice-President and will find it very hard to win broader backing. Too many Americans still remember, for example, his inability to spell "potato".

Standing Firm was an effort to recreate Mr Quayle's public persona by recounting his achievements as Vice-President and attacking the media that mocked him. The former Indiana senator, who is 47, also used the book to take pot-shots at potential Republican rivals. He will now try to broaden his base by campaigning hard for Republican candidates in this November's congressional and governors' elections, and plans a series of big speeches.

With President Clinton so unpopular, the field of likely candidates for the Republican nomination is now becoming distinctly crowded, especially with conservatives, though William Bennett, the former White House drugs chief, and Carroll Campbell, the Governor of South Carolina, have both recently announced that they will not run.

Robert Dole, the Senate's Minority Leader, is the ostensible front-runner and has begun setting up a nationwide campaign organisation. He has run twice before, and would be 73 by election time, but he has won praise from Republicans for the way he has thwarted so much of this Administration's agenda.

Richard Cheney, the former Defence Secretary, and Jack Kemp, the former Housing Secretary, have both taken their first steps towards running by establishing political action committees. James Baker, the former Secretary of State, is being equivocal about his intentions.



Quayle: has won family blessing



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Pentagon urges trial of 'friendly fire' Awacs aircrew

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

A PENTAGON board has recommended that four members of the crew of an airborne radar plane should be court-martialled for their failure to prevent two US F15 warplanes shooting down two American military helicopters over northern Iraq last April.

Twenty-six people were killed in the "friendly fire" tragedy, including two British officers.

The board's recommendation will now be reviewed by Lieutenant-General Steve Croker, commander of the Eighth Air Force based at Barksdale air force base, Louisiana, who is in charge of all Awacs early-warning radar planes, and he is thought likely to accept it.

The board has yet to decide whether to recommend that a fifth member of the Awacs crew should be court-martialled. A separate board is still examining whether the two F15 pilots should be court-martialled or face lesser disciplinary action.

The two F15 pilots each fired one missile at different helicopters. There were no survivors from either helicopter, which carried American and allied military personnel and Kurdish officials.

Late last week the Pentagon agreed to pay $100,000 (£64,900) in compensation to the families of each of the 11 foreigners on board the two Black Hawk helicopters. The two British officers who died were Major Harry Shapland and Lieutenant-Colonel Jonathon Swann.

General John Shalikashvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said there had been a "shocking number of instances where individuals failed to do their jobs properly".

A Pentagon report last month said the immediate cause was the two F15 pilots' repeated misidentification of the Black Hawks as Iraqi Hind helicopters. However, that report also pinpointed a number of blunders by the Awacs controllers monitoring the no-fly zone over northern Iraq.

They had failed to keep track of the Black Hawks as they hopped from one Kurdish settlement to another, or to warn the F15 pilots that the helicopters were friendly. They also omitted to tell the helicopters that they were emitting the wrong electronic identification signals.

The Awacs was commanded by an officer who had only flown one sortie in the previous three months and was therefore unqualified to fly that day.

"Had Awacs been operating properly there would not have been the remotest chance of this [accident] happening," William Perry, the Defence Secretary, said.

The names of the Awacs controllers and the F15 pilots have not been released.

The no-fly zone over northern Iraq was established after the Gulf War in 1991 to protect Iraq's oppressed Kurdish minority, and the Black Hawks were transporting members of an international field operation that provides assistance to the Kurds.

The victims included five Kurds and military officers from France and Turkey as well as 15 Americans and the two Britons.

Some reports yesterday suggested courts-martial could embarrass the Clinton Administration because the defendants' lawyers might argue that defence cuts had dangerously overstretched the military.



Perry: criticised lack of correct procedures

Cambodian rebel leader 'not bothered' about deadline for hostages' ransom

Khmer Rouge offered gold and money

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN PHNOM PENH

KHMER Rouge radio was silent yesterday on the fate of three Western hostages as a deadline set by the guerrillas expired, but they are probably alive. Two different arms of the Cambodian government are believed to be offering money and gold bars for their release, despite advice from Britain, France and Australia not to pay a ransom.

The government's handling of the crisis seems more chaotic than ever. Sam Ya, who has been acting as a paid intermediary between the guerrillas and one government group, said he saw the hostages on Monday and spoke to "General" Mou Paet, the Khmer Rouge commander holding them in a mud hut on Vine Mountain 90 miles south of Phnom Penh.

The government is paying Mr Ya $25 (£16) a day to take supplies to the captives who, he said, seemed in reasonable health on a basic diet of rice and fish. "Paet may not want to kill them, because when they were sick in the past he gave them medical aid," Mr Ya said.

The Khmer Rouge leader was "not bothered" by the deadline. Mr Ya added that he had been authorised to offer $115,000 for releasing the hostages, while another intermediary acting for another section of the government was offering unspecified amounts of gold bars. He believed it would be a week before negotiations could begin in earnest.

"General" Paet, who commands about 300 men, is believed to be desperate to negotiate an end to government shelling of his base, which has killed many people in surrounding villages. Mr Ya said there was no shelling on Monday.

The hostage affair has been marked by bungling from the start. There is also confusion over what the Khmer Rouge wants. It started with ransom demands, which were dropped when it demanded that the government renounce foreign military aid. Now money seems to be an issue again. The government is unclear whether "the general" is empowered to negotiate, or whether he is referring back to Khieu Samphan, the nominal Khmer Rouge leader. The information ministry said yesterday it was "reasonably optimistic" that the young backpackers, seized five weeks ago, would get out alive.

Phnom Penh has ignored the Khmer Rouge's demand to renounce foreign military aid: it accepts non-lethal assistance from France, Australia and the United States, which might be upgraded to lethal aid if the corrupt army carries out promised reforms. The hostages — Mark Slater of Britain, David Wilson of Australia and Jean Michel Braquet from France — have been held since July 26, when a train on which they were travelling was robbed.

The Khmer Rouge, with an armed force of perhaps 8,000 to 9,000, is seeking to exploit popular disgust with both the central government, which is corrupt and weakened by infighting, and provincial administrations, which have been controlled by the same network of military commanders and local officials for more than 15 years. The government has acknowledged that it cannot defeat the guerrillas militarily. Many leaders, including the ailing King Norodom Sihanouk, say there will have to be a political solution.



Cambodian troops moving yesterday into the Phnom Vuor mountain area where the Western hostages have been held by the Khmer Rouge

US secures £3bn trade deals with Peking

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY, EAST ASIA EDITOR

RON Brown, the US Secretary of Commerce, announced yesterday in Peking that he had signed $4.7 billion (£3.1 billion) worth of trade agreements with China, and that Peking has agreed to resume human rights discussions with the Clinton Administration in late September at the United Nations.

"I stand before you exhilarated by the results of our first two and a half days in Peking," Mr Brown said, after meetings with President Jiang Zemin and Li Peng, the Chinese Premier. "As of this afternoon we have already signed agreements with a total value of almost $5 billion."

Mr Brown had said on his arrival in Peking that he was hoping for an eventual $25-billion worth of deals between the two countries. He said the trip had already surpassed his expectations and proved the wisdom of President Clinton's policy of "commercial engagement" which has superceded "commercial disengagement" on ideological grounds.

Now, Mr Brown said, human rights would be confined to "private representations", and he declined to tell the press what he had said on the matter to China's leaders.

But the State Department made the representations public while Mr Brown was still in Peking, and to a degree which humiliated the White House. Yesterday in Washington, the department's spokesman, Michael McCurry, said, "We deplore the continued human rights abuses that exist in China. We have witnessed no significant movements in human rights in China since the President's May 26 decision which de-linked the issue of Most Favoured Nation trading status and human rights practices." This follows charges by human rights organisations such as Human Rights/Asia, which last week stated that since May "China has steadily tightened the noose on all forms of dissident activity".

Mr McCurry disclosed that Mr Brown had delivered a letter to President Jiang noting that his country's record on human rights continued to block better relations with the US. This is understood to refer to two issues: continued US sanctions on certain hi-tech exports to China and — more worrying to Peking — continued American objections to China joining the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Two of the human rights issues are prison-made manufactured goods and conditions in prisons. During the last week it has been alleged that the Chrysler Company's Jeep-making factory in Peking has links with companies which use prison-made parts, and that China is making widespread use for transplant of the kidneys and corneas of executed prisoners. Among the companies which signed agreements in Peking were Westinghouse, IBM, Pitney Bowes, and Tandon.

☐ **Hong Kong:** Chris Patten, the Governor of Hong Kong, attacked attempts by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress to scrap Hong Kong's three tiers of government on 1 July, 1997. He said that the colony's present constitutional arrangements were fair and acceptable to Hong Kong, and if they were dismantled "those who take responsibility for that will have to explain themselves to six million people here".



A senior Kuwaiti religious official, Khaled al-Mathkour, has issued a *fatwa* calling for the Barbie doll to be banned because, he said, its feminine curves had "nothing to do with childhood".

Nuclear fuel rods seized in Hungary

Budapest: Hungarian police seized 2 kilograms of radioactive material believed to be uranium fuel rods from Russia and arrested two Hungarians trying to sell them. The official MTI news agency said yesterday that police grabbed the two Hungarians in a hotel car park here on Monday as they sought to sell the material for about £26,140 per kilogram.

The incident comes amid concern that nuclear material may be finding its way out of Russia to help other countries or renegade groups develop atomic weapons, posing perhaps the greatest potential threat to the West's security. Germans have been shocked by four seizures of illegal weapons-grade plutonium and uranium since May that Bonn believes have come from former Soviet stocks. *(Reuter)*

Gas explosion kills 62 miners

Manila: At least 62 miners died and 12 remain trapped in tunnels after a gas explosion being described as the worst disaster in the Philippines' coal industry (Abby Tan writes). More than 90 miners were rescued and 17 injured in the blast in the state-owned mine in Mindanao province.

Yeltsin pledges Sino accords

Peking: President Yeltsin said that he would sign two agreements when Jiang Zemin, his Chinese counterpart, visits Moscow on Friday. One will focus on border demarcation and the other will involve the countries agreeing not to target each other with strategic nuclear missiles. *(Reuter)*

Hutus defect

Kigali: Dozens of defeated Rwandan soldiers are defecting daily to the mainly Tutsi force now in power, according to the United Nations. It said that 400 government troops had crossed over. *(Reuter)*

Pilots charged

Seoul: South Korea has charged Canadian pilot Barry Woods and Chung Chan Kyu, his South Korean co-pilot, after the crash of a KAL Airbus in which all 160 people on board escaped. *(Reuter)*

Angola ambush

Luanda: About 70 people, including a Portuguese priest and two people linked to a US relief agency, were missing following an ambush south of the Angolan capital by suspected Unita rebels. *(Reuter)*

Popular leader

Johannesburg: The popularity of President Mandela is surging among whites, with a rating of six on a scale of zero to ten, from 3.8 last year. A poll showed his support among urban blacks at 9.2. *(AP)*

Singapore to penalise unmarried fathers

FROM VIJAY JOSHI IN SINGAPORE

STUNG by criticism of a new policy denying state-subsidised housing to single mothers, the government said yesterday that the rule will be extended to men who father illegitimate children.

As part of a campaign to promote family values, Goh Chok Tong, the Prime Minister, said last week that letting unwed mothers buy the Housing Development Board flats "implicitly accepts unmarried motherhood as a respectable part of our society".

In letters to the main English-language newspaper and at a seminar over the weekend, several women, including two MPs, called the rule unfair. "A woman in the Cabinet would have told the Prime Minister that no woman would take on the burden of single motherhood willingly," Constance Singam, president of the Association of Women for Action and Research, said. "Most single mothers are abandoned mothers. First the [man] abandons them, then the state too abandons them," Ms Singam said.

Yesterday Lim Hong Kiang, the acting National Development Minister, said the aim of the policy was to preserve the traditional family as the family unit. "We will be happy if unmarried mothers provide us the names of the fathers, then we will also debar the father from applying for flats," Mr Lim said on Singapore television. *(AP)*

☐ **Truancy rise:** Teachers in Singapore say that truancy, gangsterism, and in some cases drug and alcohol abuse are increasing. The Singapore Teachers' Union said other problems in schools include stealing and intimacy with the opposite sex. *(AFP)*

China jobs crisis looms as workers drift to the city

BY JONATHAN MIRSKY

WITHIN 16 years, half of China's population of almost 1.2 billion people will be living in cities, a survey has disclosed.

Only 27.6 per cent of the population now is urban, and the rise will create a need for almost 20 million more jobs. It will create, too, unpredictable demands on the world food supply.

Many of these new city people will also be redundant workers from bankrupt state enterprises, a prospect which has alarmed Li Peng, the Prime Minister. The prediction of extraordinary urban growth, in a country where almost 80 per cent of the population works on the land, was published recently in a study, *Policy Choices of China's Economic Development*, by the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences.

Professor Li Jingwen, of the Institute of Qualitative and Technical Economics, who directed the study, sees the shift in population pattern as guardedly positive, with an increasing number of middle-income earners, higher consumption, more foreign investment and quadrupled exports. He foresees, too, a yet more degraded environment, an ageing population and a wider gap between coastal and inland regions. He might have added that although the population growth is barely 1 per cent annually, the preference for males means that perhaps 5 per cent of China's marriageable men cannot now find wives.

Last week, on successive days, it was predicted by the official newspaper, *Economic Information Daily*, and the Ministry of Labour that by the year 2000 there would be 268 million unemployed in China, 68 million of them in cities; and that with the state budget well over $2 billion in debt and state enterprises owing each other $41 billion it was necessary to bankrupt in 18 cities "those firms whose debts are larger than their assets, who have no hope of getting out of the red, and whose goods have no future".

Mr Li has recognised the blow to the prestige of national ideology if it is admitted that the great state enterprises are bleeding the exchequer. Half a million state workers have already been laid off and he admitted: "In some areas the social order is not good."

This gloom was deepened by a strikingly frank economic assessment in the *China Daily* which makes the prospect of 20 million new jobs by 2010 unlikely, despite what the report calls the "sizzling growth of the rural economy and rural industries which have provided vast job opportunities for surplus labourers".

By the end of this year, the report says, urban unemployment will have risen by 3 per cent annually to 5 million. But the report noted that because another five million to six million urban workers have not been paid for months "the real unemployment rate would well double the government figures".

The paper also describes a rural scene with 130 million already out of work, rising to 200 million within six years. More than 100 million rural workers are already moving about China looking for work "posing the biggest unemployment threat to the government". This is probably the source of Professor Li's jump in urban population. In the spring the government announced that it would soon abolish the requirement that citizens retain, usually for life, their original residence permits, and allow them to establish new residences where they found work.

All these figures could be understatements. Last week the *People's Daily*, in a front-page editorial, declared that many official statistics were unreliable. Such "very serious misreporting" the paper charged, made it difficult to "inspire confidence in China's economic policies".

An immediate problem is soaring inflation, fuelled by disastrous droughts and floods — last week alone at least 1,000 people were drowned in one county in Zhejiang province in the southeast, and tens of thousands of acres inundated — and by falling food production as farmers turn their land over to more lucrative commercial enterprises.

Inflation is now running at almost 25 per cent and grain has risen in price in 35 cities by more than 50 per cent, compared to the same period in 1993. The state has ordered a freeze in the price of basic commodities.

Only somewhat farther ahead lies a grimmer prospect: China's director-general of State Land Administration said that the decrease in arable land because of sale for commercial purposes has created a crisis. One million arable acres went out of production in 1992, he said.

CARTOONISTS AND WRITERS SYNDICATE



How Taiwan's *China Times* sees the population problem

Muslim radicals fail to halt UN meeting

POPULATION CONFERENCE

BY MICHAEL BINYON DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

AN EGYPTIAN court yesterday dismissed a case by influential Islamic radicals demanding the cancellation of next week's United Nations population conference in Cairo.

The case was dismissed after only 30 seconds as the court argued that it did not have the authority to decide whether the conference violated *sharia* (Islamic law). The three Muslim conservatives, who argued that the conference condoned prostitution, fornication and homosexuality, said they would appeal to a higher court.

They hope to secure an emergency hearing on Sunday, the day before the conference opens. Opposition has risen among Muslim conservatives in recent weeks. The UN gathering, expected to attract up to 20,000 people, has been dealt a serious blow by Saudi Arabia, which has decided not to send a delegation. The Saudis gave no reason for their boycott, but the intense opposition of the religious authorities has clearly influenced King Fahd, who as "custodian of the two holy mosques" is sensitive to conservative Muslim opinion.

Shaikh Abdul Aziz bin Baz, the kingdom's senior religious figure, said the conference was "incompatible with the Muslim religion". The organisers fear that the Saudi decision may lend weight to religious opponents, bolstering the arguments of fundamentalists that the conference is anti-Islamic and a Western plot to undermine Muslim values and keep down the population in the Third World.

In a move likely also to influence moderate Muslim countries, Tansu Ciller, the Turkish Prime Minister, cancelled her planned attendance, saying that she was too busy preparing for the opening of parliament. Sudan has announced a boycott, calling for the formation of an international forum to counter the conference recommendations. President al-Bashir said last week that the programme contradicted moral and religious values and was aimed at favouring Israel. Iran has announced its opposition, and in Jordan the Islamic Action Front Party, the political arm of the Muslim Brotherhood, called for a boycott by all Muslim and Arab countries.

President Suharto of Indonesia has also cancelled a visit, but ill health appears to be the main reason. Malaysia said it would take an anti-abortion stand at the gathering.

China, whose experience in family planning will feature prominently, announced that its controversial policies are set to remain a long-term fixture. But Peng Peiyun, the Family Planning Minister, said she would tell the conference that population control was the sovereign right of individual countries.

Factory ships blamed for rise in dumped fish

Juneau, Alaska: The fishing industry dumped more than 740 million pounds of edible fish overboard in the North Pacific last year, says a new study that blames factory trawlers for most of the problem. The discarded fish — most of which died — could have provided 46 million meals, said the study's author, Larry Cotter.

Mr Cotter's Juneau consulting firm, Pacific Associates, conducted the study for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. Rick Lauber, chairman of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, an industry-government panel that is considering suggesting new restrictions, called the report startling. "But when you consider [the figures] are probably misreported and could be much higher, it is even worse," he said.

In 1992, Mr Cotter estimated that 507 million pounds were tossed overboard. The waste has grown along with a bottomfish boom in the North Pacific.

Bottomfish are made into fish sticks, breaded fillets and paste used to make imitation crabmeat and other fish products. The study said much of the catch was discarded because the fish were either too small or too large to be processed on factory trawlers. *(AP)*

Carlos the family man complains of 'moral assassination' by captors


Carlos: "traitors are shot in my organisation"

BY CHARLES BREMNER

Two weeks after his capture, Carlos the Jackal broke his silence yesterday to claim that he was being depicted as a vain drunkard in a campaign to destroy his image, while in reality he was a simple family man.

In a statement published by the *InfoMatin* newspaper, the international terrorist was also quoted as dismissing predictions by Charles Pasqua, the French Interior Minister, that he would soon betray his colleagues. "In my organisation, traitors are shot," he said. The statement, which the newspaper said had come from Carlos's cell in the Santé prison, diverted the spotlight back to Ilich Ramírez Sánchez, the terrorist's real name, after a week in which attention has focused on the alleged clandestine actions of Jacques Vergès, his lawyer. The authorities said the only legal source of the statement could have been the terrorist's lawyers. They declined to say whether they had transmitted it, but Mourad Oussedik, one of the legal team, said the views were all those of Carlos.

The authorities launched an investigation into how the message from Carlos had been spirited out of his basement cell, No. 258187, where he is held in solitary confinement. *InfoMatin*, a new left-inclined daily launched late last year, said it had no doubts about the authenticity of the Carlos statement. "I was seized in the truest Mafia style," Ramírez was quoted as saying of his capture in Sudan and flight to Paris. "Now that I have been neutralised, instead of assassinating me physically, people are carrying out a moral assassination. I don't understand," he added: "It is all false. I have never been a drinker as they are trying to make out," he said. He also wondered why rumours had been spread that he had been kidnapped while undergoing an operation for liposuction, or the removal of fat. He had been to hospital for treatment of a diseased testicle, he said.

"My character is simple. I am above all a family man. My wife and my daughter live in the most ordinary way in Venezuela among my own family," he said, referring to Magdalena Kopp, the German terrorist he married in the mid-1980s. Carlos complained that he had been "betrayed by (Sudanese) leader-friends who had received me very generously.

"People must know that I am not an informer," he said." I am one of the founders of the Organisation of Revolutionary Internationalists and am still a member ... So do not count on me to betray friendly countries and give names."

The terrorist also was quoted as denying reports in the French press that he had tried to murder Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist party leader, in a train explosion in 1982. "Not only was I not in France at the time, but I would never have had that idea for the simple reason that I have always had the highest esteem for Jacques Chirac," he said. Prosecutors are investigating Carlos's possible links with the bomb on the Paris-Toulouse train, which killed five people.

Edouard Balladur, the Prime Minister, yesterday denied that France had done a deal with Sudan to win the arrest and extradition of Carlos, as was assumed in the media and diplomatic world.

As Carlos prepared for his first confrontation with France's anti-terrorism judge next week, the head of the Paris bar association cleared M Vergès of any activities which would disqualify him from representing Carlos. "Questions about the fitness of M Vergès to represent Carlos have no basis," Jean-René Farthouat said. M Vergès, who specialises in the defence of notorious felons, has been depicted in the media as an agent in Carlos's network, not just a lawyer.

Balladur demotes Britain in vision of three-tier Europe

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS

WITH France's presidential race effectively under way, Edouard Balladur, the Prime Minister and firm favourite, yesterday sketched his vision of a three-tier Europe which would put France and Germany at the core and Britain in a secondary orbit.

At the heart of M Balladur's Europe would lie an inner circle of states, all committed to monetary, military and social union. "For long years to come, Europe will consist of a central, homogeneous core, made up essentially of France and Germany," he said.

The second concentric circle would include the weaker European Union states, such as Britain. The outer group would take in the nations of East Europe which could not hope to meet the criteria of EU membership for some time. "We must build with them a diplomatic and security organisation and create economic and trade ties," M Balladur said.

A multi-speed Europe had been created by Britain's opt-out from monetary union and the Social Chapter and by the varying readiness of other members to meet the criteria of the Maastricht treaty, the Prime Minister said.

M Balladur has rarely offered such a personal analysis of foreign policy, a domain traditionally supervised by the President under the system of the Fifth Republic. His remarks in an interview with *Le Figaro* marked his return from holiday in the Alps and the opening of what everyone, except the Prime Minister, calls his campaign for the presidential poll in April.

Like Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist party leader and his rival, and Jacques Delors, the country's most popular left-wing figure, M Balladur, 63, is refusing to say whether he is a candidate. He insisted he would not reveal his intentions until the new year.

M Balladur's entourage, however, has made no secret over its pleasure at a poll this week showing that he enjoys an extraordinary 63 per cent approval rating. M Balladur has benefited from what are seen as the triumphs of Operation Turquoise in Rwanda and the arrest of Carlos the Jackal, as well as from the confirmation that France is at last emerging from its deepest recession since the Second World War. Unemployment, by far the most emotional issue of the moment, is expected to drop again for the second time this month.


Balladur: boosted by 63 per cent poll rating

Edmond Alphandéry, the Finance Minister, who hails from the Gaullists' centre-right allies, last night became the latest minister to call publicly for M Balladur to represent the conservative side in the election to succeed President Mitterrand.

The Prime Minister's refusal to declare his candidacy did not prevent him from sketching his views on campaign strategy. The election, he said, would be fought on the domestic social front, a point with which he is in complete agreement with M Chirac, the mentor who sent him to the premiership last year.

The party leader, who has tried over the summer to make social justice his special field, has been dismayed to find himself eclipsed in the polls by M Delors. The President of the European Commission has both tantalised and irritated the leadership of the beleaguered Socialist Party by refusing to join the race while leaving his options open, probably until Christmas.

M Balladur's statesmanlike stance on Europe was being read by many as a response to M Delors's statements that he could be moved to join the race if he felt that the Franco-German axis was being jeopardised in the campaign.


Russian troops at the Soviet war memorial in Berlin, scene of today's ceremony marking Moscow's withdrawal

Unloved Russians slip out of Latvia

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN RIGA

THE last handful of Russian occupation troops in the Baltic region made their final preparation to pull out of Latvia yesterday, bringing to a close more than 40 years of domination.

Amid scenes of chaotic last-minute packing, the few remaining soldiers began slipping quietly out of the country in small groups, provoking little response from the people they had once ruled over.

"The Russians will all be out well ahead of the September 1 deadline," said a spokeswoman for the Latvian army. "We are not planning any special celebrations to mark their departure." All the remaining Russian troops serving in Estonia had already left or were on their way home yesterday.

In Latvia last night, the last seven Russian armoured personnel carriers and a company of infantry were expected to pull out of Riga without ceremony for the short train journey home.

The final scene of what began in 1940 as Stalin's invasion and annexation of the Baltic states, will be played out today when Lieutenant-General Fyodor Melnichuk, head of the Northwestern Group, will formally hand control of his command to the Latvian authorities in a low-key ceremony at the presidential residence, before flying home with his remaining officers.

At his headquarters in the military barracks on Pernavas Street, one of the most prestigious commands of the former Soviet military was reduced to pandemonium as officers and soldiers emptied their living quarters of whatever they could lift and pack.

"Go in, if you like, but you won't find anyone to talk to, they are all busy preparing to leave," said a relaxed Russian sentry at the gate, guarding what used to be the nerve centre of the Soviet Union's military occupation army of the Baltic area.

Soldiers, mostly out of uniform and many drinking beer, were putting the final preparations to what appeared to be a ramshackle withdrawal by a demoralised force with few prospects when it returns home to Russia. Two young conscripts clumsily lowered the Russian tricolour to pose beside it for some souvenir photographs.

In Estonia, the authorities are planning some low-key celebrations, partly because the event has been overshadowed by continuing border disputes with Russia. In Latvia, the subdued response is partly because some 600 Russian troops will remain in the country for four and a half years at the Skrunda radar station, east of Riga.

Heroes of yesterday look on while demoralised army abandons base

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

THE heroes of the Soviet Union are alive and well and people the cracked walls of Schoñwalde air base, 19 miles west of Berlin. Tanks crash through the officers' mess; sputniks lighten a staircase; infantrymen look myopically into the future: these Socialist Realist murals are the last traces of almost 50 years of Russian military presence.

Everything else has been stripped and taken back to Mother Russia: lavatories, doors, boilers, light fittings, wooden window frames. No hostages have been left, unless one counts the bodies of 600,000 Soviet soldiers buried in more than 3,000 army cemeteries, and several hundred wild dogs, abandoned by officers' families.

A retreating army is always a sad sight. The Russian withdrawal has an added poignancy. The many hundreds of thousands of soldiers have been leaving one non-existent state, East Germany, for another, the Soviet Union. Their sense of defeat and disorientation is evident: they are in psychological and political limbo.

Nobody knows this better than the bullish Russian commander, General Marvei Burlakov, who today will be the last, though not the least, Russian officer to leave Germany. Soon to become one of four Deputy Defence Ministers in Russia, he played the role of aggressive lobbyist, shouting at the Germans for trying to humiliate erstwhile "liberators" and grumbling about the slow pace of German housing construction for returning troops.

The exodus disguises a shift in Russo-German relations. A journalist, Sergei Sosnovsky voiced Russian fears in an *Izvestia* interview with Helmut Kohl, the German Chancellor. "There is a view that, following the withdrawal of the troops, the Germans will begin to speak a different language to the Russians because the Russians will have lost their final trump card."

Herr Kohl brushed aside these anxieties, and indeed the sentiments seemed to have a remarkably Cold War resonance. But for the past four years the troops have been a political irrelevance, a huge logistical problem. The withdrawal has been one of the biggest peacetime troop movements in history. Some 546,000 soldiers, families and civilians have been uprooted, together with 12,400 tanks, 3,700 artillery pieces, and more than 600,000 tonnes of ammunition.

Yet the Russian fears have some justification. The military status of Germany is changing. Its role in Nato is becoming more muscular and its political readiness to fight abroad is growing. It continues to regard Russia as the primary security problem for Europe — not its tanks but its refugees; not its strengths, but its capacity for collapse.

The long history of Russo-German relations has seen Germans act as the schoolmaster, the engineer, the financier and the farmer of Russia. Now, following the withdrawal of the Russian troops, Germans have a new role: psychotherapist.

"Soviet soldiers came to Germany as victors," says General Burlakov in words to be echoed today by President Yeltsin in Berlin. But for Russia the time for living on 50-year-old victories is passing. The train trip from Wunsdorf military base to Moscow takes 32 hours — but there has been a 49-year delay in departure.

Three jailed for German race riot

Magdeburg: Three unnamed Germans were jailed for up to three years yesterday for joining on of the country's worst anti-foreigner riots in which far-right extremists hunted a group of Africans here.

During the May riot, 150 neo-Nazis, many foreigners and police clashed in Magdeburg. Three people were injured and the police detained 49 neo-Nazis. *(Reuter)*

Alpine death

Rome: Italian firemen rescued 24 people who were stranded when a cable car fell from its overhead wires and killed a man on Mont Blanc. The victim, Francesco Condolucci 40, was in an empty cabin which crashed from its wires firemen from Courmayeur said. *(Reuter)*

Space setback

Moscow: A Russian cargo craft, carrying food and water for the three-man crew, failed for a second time to dock with the orbiting Mir space station, throwing the current space mission into jeopardy, Russian television said. *(Reuter)*

Wrong signal

Stockholm: Sweden has probably mistaken noises made by marine mammals for submarines several times since 1990 during its hunt for suspected Russian intruders, Hakan Neckman, a former naval commander, said. *(Reuter)*

Killer pet

Moscow: A bull terrier attacked its master while he was asleep and bit through his throat, killing him, police in Omsk, western Siberia, said. His wife shot the dog, Tass reported. *(Reuter)*

Strait hero

Messina: A Canadian, Carlos Costa, 22, who had both legs amputated as a child, completed a 24-hour, 40-mile swim across the Straits of Messina between Sicily and mainland Italy both ways. *(Reuter)*

Kozyrev condemns West's inertia on Serbian sanctions

BY MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

ANDREI Kozyrev, the Russian Foreign Minister, yesterday called for greater Western flexibility towards Serbia, criticising the five-power Contact Group for what he called "bureaucratic inertia".

In an interview given to Russian journalists on his way from Zagreb to Berlin, he said Russia had shown "very great reserve" in its dealings with the other four nations — America, Britain, France and Germany. But he made it clear that he believed President Milosevic should be rewarded for his co-operation in closing Serbia's border with the Bosnian Serbs.

Russia is pressing for the selective easing of sanctions, and Mr Kozyrev called for fresh ministerial talks in Geneva to make "appropriate appraisal" of changes that had taken place in rump Yugoslavia. Mr Kozyrev has not yet officially communicated his views to the four other members. British officials said there was still scepticism over President Milosevic's commitment to forcing the Bosnian Serbs to accept the peace map. "We are not convinced yet that all is OK. But these are early days, and if Mr Kozyrev puts specific proposals, we will look at them."

The Contact Group has no scheduled meeting this month, but all five Foreign Ministers will be in New York next month for the United Nations General Assembly. The three European ministers will also co-ordinate their response to the Bosnian Serb rejection at an informal meeting in Germany on September 10, and Britain will discuss Bosnia two weeks later with President Yeltsin and Mr Kozyrev during the Russian leader's official visit here.

Street drama as Opera bars conductor

BY CHARLES BREMNER

TRAFFIC noise replaced the music at the Paris Opera yesterday as the action in the house's long-running tragi-comedy moved to an outdoor scene in which the director threw out the conductor, prompting the musicians to call for vengeance in the form of a strike.

The curtain went up in the rush-hour when Myung Whun Chung, the musical director and current hero, turned up on the steps of the whale-like edifice on the Place de la Bastille with his baton, his lawyer and a bailiff. His object was to reclaim the job from which he had been dismissed two weeks ago and to which he was reinstated by a judge on Monday. His desires, however, were thwarted when Jean-Paul Cluzel, the interim director of the embattled establishment, emerged with security men and barred


Chung: stopped from taking rehearsal

Chung from the hall, where he wanted to conduct a rehearsal of Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra*.

Turning to the audience of reporters, Chung lamented: "I can't even get back into my office. They've changed the locks. This is totally unjustified and everyone knows it... We are making fools of ourselves in front of the entire world." A chorus of support came from the musicians, who have sided with Chung in his war with the management of France's state-run cultural flagship.

"Like cowards, the administration used the August holiday to tell Chung they were kicking him out," said René Benedetti, first cellist and union leader. "We will issue a strike call — for purely artistic reasons." Monique Pelletier, Chung's lawyer, vowed to return to the courts, saying: "It is unbelievable that a state body should refuse to obey a judge's decision."

The action in the sunlight of the Rue de Lyon was the most undignified so far in the life of an unloved institution that was dreamed up in President Mitterrand's Socialist court in the early 1980s and has lurched through five years of feuds, strikes and heavy losses. Chung has earned the loyalty of the artistic staff since he took over just before the opening in 1989 after the sacking of Daniel Barenboim, the first musical director. His removal was decided by the new team, appointed by the Gaullist-led government last year with a mandate to put the house in order and curb losses that are grandiose even in comparison with France's lavish state funding of the arts.

The management said it had sacked Chung because he had refused to renegotiate a new contract which guarantees him a hefty income until the end of the century. In a refrain heard around the world, the management accused Chung of putting cost second to his desire for perfection.

The real cause, Chung and the musical establishment insist, is the matter of control, the current battleground in opera houses around the world.

Italians spar over chariot race

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

PLANS to stage an "Olympic" chariot race between international athletics stars by the ancient Greek Acropolis of Selinunte on Sicily have outraged scholars, who fear that the show will damage an archaeological treasure.

The contest, organised by the Swatch wristwatch company, will be held in the shadow of the southern Sicilian temples on September 10 and televised live to millions on Eurovision.

Sebastian Coe, Katherin Witt and Italian stars Gelindo Bordin and Gabriella Dorio are to ride chariots bearing their national colours before 10,000 people.

However, a group of ten archaeologists, including Nicola Bonacasa, director of the institute of archaeology at Palermo University, has petitioned Sicilian authorities to ban the event, claiming it could damage the ruins. The idea also is misleading, they say. Selinunte is the only city in ancient Greece that never took part in the (ancient) Olympic games.


An ancient Greek temple at Selinunte on Sicily

Local authorities defended the decision. The site has been rented out regularly since the 1960s, Rosalia Camerata Scovazza, Trapani's superintendent of cultural heritage, declared. "The stadium to be used will be dismantled within 24 hours."

Ben Macintyre on the blazing row fuelled by a planned exhibition to mark the 50th anniversary of the atom bomb on the Japanese

Why should we appease the Japanese?

WHEN the American B-29 bomber *Enola Gay* unleashed the atom bomb on Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, some 130,000 Japanese perished and the war came to its bloody end, but the shock waves that also swept through America's moral universe were intense, and they reverberate still.

The scarring of the national psyche from that single event has been vividly demonstrated in recent weeks by a battle over the Smithsonian Institution's planned exhibition at the US National Air and Space Museum entitled *The Last Act: The Atomic Bomb and the End of World War II*.

The exhibition of photographs, artefacts and accompanying text, scheduled to open next May in time for the 50th anniversary of the bombing, has prompted outrage among veteran groups, historians and politicians, who claim that the Smithsonian's interpretation is distorted and revisionist, skewed by the dogma of political correctness, and crudely condemnatory in spirit.

One line, now deleted, from the original script of the exhibition perhaps best represents the museum's view-point: "For most Americans, this war... was a war of vengeance. For most Japanese, it was a war to defend their unique culture against Western imperialism."

THAT indictment was supported by a similarly one-sided display. Some 96 photographs portrayed the devastation wreaked at Hiroshima and Nagasaki, while only seven would depict Japanese wartime atrocities and American casualties; the American pilots were described as "following orders", while the Japanese kamikaze pilots were spiritual martyrs, "youths, their bodies overflowing with life", who made the ultimate sacrifice against a racist, bloodthirsty aggressor.

Of the Japanese military build-up on the island of Kyushu, of the 770,000 US troops who would have had to fight it out with them if the bombs had not been dropped, and the hideous carnage that would surely have resulted, there was barely a word. In the Smithsonian script, the number of projected American casualties from an American invasion were estimated at a mere 30,000 to 50,000, insufficient justification, it was clearly implied, for the bombs which killed up to 200,000 Japanese. Many historians claim that the death toll among US troops would have been at least ten times that figure.



The *Enola Gay* after dropping the bomb on Hiroshima

The response to the planned exhibition, which will include 60 feet from the front fuselage of the *Enola Gay*, was itself explosive: two dozen congressmen penned a letter of complaint describing the show as "anti-American" with a "historically narrow, revisionist view." Many World War II veterans, spearheaded by the 180,000 members of the Air Force Association, insisted that the show belittled their bravery, while Richard Hallion, chief historian of the air force, bitterly opposed the depiction of the Pacific conflict as "a war of revenge against the Japanese."

Under heavy fire, museum director Martin Harwit, who had approved the original display, eventually conceded that the exhibition required reappraisal. "I evidently paid greater attention to accuracy than to balance," he said.

The script has since been revised, twice, and the organisers agreed this week to include a photographic display at the start of the exhibition illustrating events in the Pacific leading up to the bombings. Brigadier General Paul Tibbets, 79, who piloted the *Enola Gay* over Hiroshima, described the changes as "a plus", but others remain unsatisfied.

For many historians the confrontation is not just a scholarly debate over differing interpretations, but demonstrative of a crucial struggle for America's historical legacy that is daily growing in ferocity as Hollywood churns out a vision of the past that increasingly places box-office receipts above objectivity, even facts.

THE *Final Act* exhibition has thus become a motif for the bitter tussle between revisionist historians of a politically correct inclination, and other scholars who fear that history itself is falling prey to the endemic sense of cultural culpability brought on by the strictures of multi-culturalism.

More specifically, the dispute has raised questions about the Smithsonian itself. In an incendiary editorial this week *The Wall Street Journal* condemned the "Smithsonian curators' allegiance to the current canons of political virtue and related humbug", citing earlier exhibitions in which the Pilgrims were portrayed as cruel capitalists, Western pioneers as cultural despoilers and, conversely, a tribe of New Guinea cannibals as "a well-functioning example of how a complete criminal justice system works."

American history may be cannibalising itself as Disney "imagineers" trawl for pop-culture interpretations and politically-correct inquisitors hunt down the guilty parties in America's past. If that approach is left unchallenged, some scholars fear, then history will become merely an exercise in the distribution of moral blame.

The very title, *The Last Act*, suggests historical finality but clearly the final curtain has yet to be brought down on this, the most brutal and successful act of war in American history.

The wandering star heads for home

At 27, Ffyona Campbell is about to become the first woman to have walked around the world. **Giles Coren** bearded her in her bunker and asked her: why?

Ffyona Campbell opens Coca-Cola bottles with her teeth. But that isn't why she is in *The Guinness Book of Records*. She has, rather, satisfied the book's requirements regarding round-the-world walking records. Only two people have done it before. Neither of them were women.

To qualify, she had to start and finish in the same place, cross four continents, and cover at least 16,500 miles. At 18, she crossed America. Then came Australia. That was 6,500 miles in a total of 246 days. Africa took her two years, and now, at the age of 27, she has crossed Europe.

Almost. With 11 miles of her journey left to walk, I caught up with her on the beach at Wissant, near Calais, where she is gathering her thoughts before the final push. I took a shorter route than Miss Campbell, by the way. And I went by train.

She is living, for the moment, in a Second World War bunker, set into tufted sand dunes, which gapes out aggressively over the English Channel. Here she is finding a little calm before the publicity storm she suspects will surround her arrival in Britain. On Friday week a six-part television series will present not only the last part of her walk, but the curmudgeonly opinions of the people with whom she has worked over the past few years. She threatened to walk out on the television crew, she ate journalists for breakfast. I steeled myself to meet a monster — and I kept a watchful eye on the teeth.

It was about 9.30pm when I found her. The beach was dark. She had made a fire, and was boiling water for dinner.

The bunker was well-appointed. There was a low table, chipboard on breeze-blocks, with a clay carafe standing on it. In one corner was her small, yellow, missile-shaped tent — serving, in the bunker, to protect her from the sand-weevils who have refused to move out. There is a shelf with food, and a selection of wines. Two petrol cans hold her water supply, and there is a bowl for washing, and one for washing-up.

Dinner was noodles, boiled in the water, cold roast chicken, local cheese and paté, fresh bread and wine. I had assumed she would be fricasséeing the sand-weevils and chomping on some nutritious tree bark she had discovered in the bush. But inside the intrepid adventurer there was clearly a *bonne-viveuse* struggling to get out. In her book, *On Foot Through Africa*, she admits "I daydreamed of pulling the legs off croissants and of cold roast thinly sliced and spread with foie gras".

"In Africa, these things came to embody civilisation for me," she explained from the comfort of the bunker. "Civilisation meant no flies, clean food on clean tables, clean fingernails. By the end these ideas had changed. Civilisation just meant being able to go to the loo without people gathering round to watch."

The book also catalogues some questions you should never ask a walker. Top of the list is "Why?"

But it is all you really want to know. Why does a girl leave school at 16 and spend 11 years subjecting herself to gross physical hardship, in some of the world's least hospitable places — risking rape, disease and murder? So I asked her, anyway.

> 'You have to confront fear head on, and beat it'

"I once said to myself that I would do whatever I said I would do. Foolishly, I said I would walk around the world. I didn't realize how big it was."

An easy mistake to make, but it isn't much of an excuse. Again. Why?

"It was a rite of passage. In Africa there are rituals, you kill a lion or perform some task, and then you are an adult. We don't have that in Europe. I feel now that I have grown up."

Still. Why? "Because you have to confront fear head on, and beat it. When you have done that you know you can rely on yourself. I developed a wonderful sense of inner calm at the end of Africa. I knew I would never let myself down."

But apart from the fear — she was solicited frequently (despite often being mistaken for a man), she was stoned, she was savagely attacked in Morocco, and she only escaped rape in Europe by impersonating a police officer — wasn't it a bit boring?

"Putting one foot in front of the other for hours on end is possibly the most boring thing you can do — I actively went after danger to liven things up. That was what gave Europe its edge, the fact that I did it entirely alone."

In Africa she had "back-up" in the form of a Land Rover manned by a succession of seasoned adventurers and public-schoolboys on post-university jaunts. "That took something away," she says. "I couldn't say that I did it all myself. I was very dependent on them and couldn't give anything in return. Until I started to cook for them."

Cook? "Food is very important when you're walking all day. It becomes central to your evenings. Cooking gave me relief from stress and the physical thrashing of my body. I baked a lot of quiches, cakes, even croissants."

She has not, then, shuffled off the domestic coil entirely. Are there secret hankerings after domesticity? "I think so. Women do enjoy taking care of people, and I am very keen to have babies. That was what was sad about the Europe walk, there was nobody to bake quiche for. It is different when I am in England, last time I didn't cook a meal in six months — it isn't the same in a proper kitchen."

She talks unlovingly of conventional life. "Bruce Chatwin wrote about the way nomadic people use up their energy in movement — but when they gather in cities they devote it to fighting and defending borders. When I was a child I went to 15 different schools and was never in the same place for very long. Now when I am stuck somewhere I just pace around waiting to move."

Perhaps this explains the unfortunate experiences some people have had with her. Only when moving is she happy. Stationary, on someone else's terms, she must feel the need to mark out her territory.

Apart from baking quiche, what do people who have walked around the world do next? What do they do for kicks? "I don't know. I like sailing and driving fast. I read and write a lot. I haven't had a life like other young people, I haven't had time to develop other sides of myself. I was happiest in the Sahara, and I knew I was happy then. It is frightening to be 27, and to know that you have achieved as much as you are ever likely to achieve."

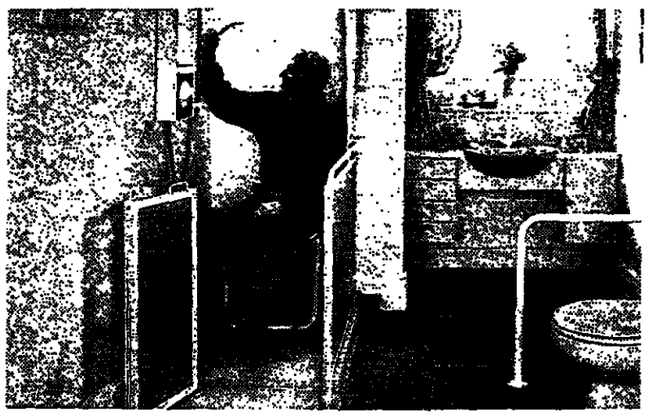
She gestured towards England. "I am going back over there but that isn't my home. I will find a home somewhere, near water, near a river going into the sea if possible. It won't be in England. I have no roots there, and it can't be Africa because I have no roots there either. That is why I envy the Africans. If things don't work out in the city they can always go back to the village. It is always there. We don't have that — we have nowhere to go back to."



Ffyona Campbell: "I envy the Africans. They can always go back to the villagi."

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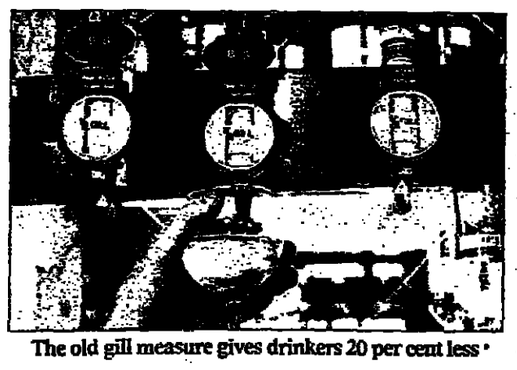
Drinkers who are hot about the gills

Trebles all round will soon cost more thanks to a new European measure that abolishes an old British gauge

Tipplers, take heed! A wee dram is no longer as wee as it used to be. A long drink may be longer than you think. By New Year's Day next year, measure for measure will no longer mean what it did in Shakespeare's day.

From January 1 next year it will be illegal for your publican to serve spirits in the traditional English measure of one-sixth of a gill. The new official optic, as laid down by the Department of Trade and Industry, will contain 25ml, which, as a sign in my local — in a well-meant attempt to clarify — confusingly points out, is equal to one sixth of a gill plus 20 per cent, more or less. To get in the right spirit, as it were, many publicans have introduced the new measure already, and have begun the lengthy process of explaining the price increase.

The move is part of metric standardisation, conceived vaguely — in line with the European Commission's Units of Measure directive — to bring us into line with our partners in the single market. Needless to say, it will do nothing of the sort. The standard measure in most parts of mainland Europe, as most of us recently returned from holidays will know, is 2cl (or 20ml) while a double is 4cl: from schnapps to Sambucca, that is the golden mean. Our version of harmonisation will, therefore, in the eyes of our continental cousins, only exaggerate our eccentricity.



The old gill measure gives drinkers 20 per cent less

And is any of it necessary? Metrication has never been as uniform a business as most Eurosceptics imagine. The spirit of compromise is, in fact, better-established than the literal-minded bureaucrats of the Department of Trade and Industry may imagine. The fact that Britain and Germany share the distinction of being the world's greatest model railway enthusiasts long ago resulted in the bizarre fact that the standard scale for reducing full-size locomotives to table-top versions is one seventeenth of an inch to the metre.

Nor is drink as regulated as we might think. Despite the television commercials for Heineken Export playing on our fears by advertising, tongue-in-cheek, a "great 0.56 of a litre", the pint remains unthreatened. And with good reason. After all, the Germans, who vie for the title of Europe's biggest beer-drinkers, are happy to serve the stuff in glasses that vary with regional tradition from the delicate 0.25 litre Pils tulip to tall flutes containing either 0.3 or 0.4 litre right up to the famed one-litre *Mass*.

Our moribund gill — defined as a quarter of a pint — actually began life as a measure for wine. Dr Johnson, on his trip to the Hebrides with Boswell, was wont to call "for wine by the half-pint or gill". The oldest extant reference is in the rolls of the London Guildhall which mentions the measures of *schopines et gilles*, the former being a larger glass which has survived on the Continent as the quarter-litre German *Schoppen* or French *chope*.

Even within the British Isles we have been less than consistent. My father, having lived most of his life in Northern Ireland, complained that an English measure "barely wet the sides of the glass". The Irish measure was a quarter-gill — 50 per cent larger. The Liverpool boat on its crossings to and from Belfast employed the wisdom of Solomon, and served whiskey (and whisky) in measures of one fifth of a gill. The fifth-gill, until December 31, remains the standard Scottish measure.

In fact, the Irish measure was based on a traditional metric logic all its own: a bottle was deemed to hold tenglasses, which could be sub-dvided into 20 "half'uns". The "half'un" became the standard pub measure, though to this day if you ask for a "glass" of whiskey, you will receive an Irish "double", which is therefore equivalent to an English *triple*. As if by miracle, the iron laws of the gods of mathematics mean 2) Irish "half'uns" equal five gills, or one-and-a-quarter pints, which, translated into metric units, works out at 70l, exactly the size of the standard bottle of spirits.

No doubt, the Irish will insist that this is not some strange chance but proof that Celts are instinctively better Europeans than the Anglo-Saxons. The Scots would agree. At the insistence of Scottish publicans — no doubt fearful of the consequences of serving smaller measures — the DTI's metrication officials have licensed a second, larger measure. From January 1 it will be possible — at least in Scotland — to order a "large" whisky in a 35ml measure which, the mathematicians among you will already have spotted, is exactly equal to an Irish "half'un". A few of us will still need a double to recover from the arithmetic.

PETER MILLAR

Why everyone should be disabled, once

Political correctness is no use when you're opening a tuna-fish tin one-handed

I was not going to mention this at all, but the public bickering on the subject of disability has driven me into the open. For weeks I have been following the row between Mr Portillo and the Remploy company, in horribly mangled newspapers (have you *tried* reading *The Times* with one hand? It is a conspiracy of the able-bodied, the way they sell it without proper handles). And all the time, thanks to a fall, a dislocated shoulder and a bundle of uprooted nerves, I was staring down at a fine steel-and-elastic splint with an actual Remploy label on it, provided by a thoughtful nation to prevent my hand falling into my tea. I sided with the company, naturally. Serendipity . . .

Moreover, during the foot-in-mouth Commonwealth contretemps over whether the halt and the lame are embarrassing in sporting events, I was learning to beat able-bodied rivals at croquet, literally single-handed. All you need is native grit, and to make sure the opposition are either drunk or under ten. Then I passed my morning hour of physiotherapeutic finger-wiggling on the dead hand while listening to *Call Nick Ross* discussing disability on Radio 4, and nearly pulled my thumb off during a particularly batty exchange.



LIBBY PURVES

Mr Ross was arguing, mildly, with a woman lobbyist, and dared to say that disabled people are — well, disabled. That there are things they can't do and most people can. She replied stiffly that no, they are "only disabled by society's attitude to them".

From that moment, you were doomed to find this column grousing up at you. Because, briefly and eerily, I hovered on the borderline between two worlds of perception. Part of me — the part which until six weeks ago could move both arms, and which earnestly hopes to be tying my own shoelaces again by Easter — was all with Nick Ross and common sense. Of course disability disables you: it is a handicap, an abnormal condition which would be rotten bad luck even if "society's attitude" were perfect.

No amount of political correctness on other people's part can ever make up for a useless limb. When you are incomplete you feel a bidden, healthy rage at Fate, to turn that rage on "society" only makes it unhealthy, and alienating. Society must be considerate, yes; but that is all.

Another part of me, though, was already growing into the megalomaniac attitudes of the extreme disability lobby. After weeks of frustration, after parting with a beloved car for an adapted automatic, after sinister lines from physiotherapists like "Why not make a more permanent sling, one to wear with winter coats?" it is easy to lash out at unfeeling two-armed bastards. How *dare* people walk around flaunting their matching pair? How dare fascist multinationals design laptops which can only be opened by pressing two buttons at opposite sides? Do they not consider that while manoeuvring the left big toe into position, the owner could fall over, again?

The night before the broadcast, I had clearly understood for the first time that the design of tuna-fish tins is a direct and deliberate insult to my human dignity. I was all for firebombing John West. It was enlightening to find myself momentarily in step with the maddest, sourest, most guilt-exploiting lobbyist.

Perhaps everyone should have an interlude like this: six or nine months of slow-healing nerve damage. It is the closest you can get to "healthy" disability: no pain to speak of, no medicine, nothing to be done, just a handicap. A challenge, if you must be so damn hearty. Living with it gives you a taste of all sorts of responses available to really disabled people.

There is the apologetic need to do better, just to keep level. There is heartiness, even bragging ("My chap says it's a classic 1970s motorbike injury, never known anyone do it on a doorstep"). There is vainglorious independence: "Look, of course I can slice the lemon. I just brace my knee on it, so . . ." followed by a swing to petulant dependence when it shoots under the dresser and you can't crawl and reach at once. There is a Dennis Potter testiness: "Ten minutes to prise that Jiffy-bag open with my teeth because some fool publisher put tape on it, and it's only a review copy labelled 'a first novel to savour, a plangent, disturbing evocation . . .' Put it on the barbecue!".

There is annoyance at having your sling ignored, and boredom at explaining it. There is guilt at not being a hero ("Why am I saying I'll never finish the novel typing one-handed? Think of Christy Nolan!"). There is shameful competition with other injuries: "At least if it's a leg you can compete on level terms once you sit down. Me, I can't go through a card-index without taking my socks off".

It's all there, in microcosm: from resigned stoicism to sulks, to the sour pleasure of snapping because nobody dare snap back. The Australian chap was right: I grow more embarrassing by the minute.

And more embarrassed, at my failure to match the prevailing reasonableness which marks most of the real disabled. If not, always, their lobbyists.

As more stars find God, **Ruth Gledhill** investigates a phenomenon

A celebrity bares her soul



Samantha Fox revealing her midriff as well as her conversion at Monday's Greenbelt concert

"We are only here for one person today," Samantha Fox told fans at a pop concert on Monday night. Who was the former topless model turned singer referring to? Not herself, actually, but Jesus Christ.

Like many of her generation, 28-year-old Miss Fox has turned to God. A life which outwardly spelt success has left her inwardly wanting more. Her conversion last Christmas followed a dispute with her father and former manager, Pat, whom she alleged owed her £1 million. The dispute was settled out of court.

Miss Fox, whose first single "Touch Me" went to No 1 in 15 countries, says Christianity has supplied "something that was missing in my life". But if she has been in inner turmoil, the assets which brought her early fame as a Page Three girl remain more consistent. Miss Fox appeared on stage at the Christian Greenbelt arts festival at Corby in Northamptonshire dressed in white platform shoe, tight denim jeans and a skin-tight, sparkling white top. She sang and danced with sensual energy, performing numbers such as "Naughty Girls Need Love Too" and "Heaven is a Place on Earth".

> 'If I've offended anybody, well, I'm sorry'

In the light of her new status, might it not have been wise to tone down her act from the old, raunchy routine BC? Miss Fox is defensive. Songs like "Do You Wanna Please Me" and "Touch Me" were "taken the wrong way" when released in the 1980s "because of my image", she says. In any case, it wasn't the same act: "There were a few songs we left out because at the end of the day I don't want to upset anybody."

Does she want to be taken more seriously because of her faith? "Why do we want to be serious? I think performing on stage you've got to have fun." Christianity was a choice she made "all on my own one day. I went to a certain church. And instead of my mum talking to me, my dad talking to me, it was someone else talking to me. I just felt a great sense of peace all of a sudden.

"A lot of people turn to certain things because they are searching. I wasn't ever searching. But you have got to remember that at 16 I was picked out of 4,000 girls to be a star on Page Three and I was given a contract for four years. I was travelling all over the world. And I admit I forgot about my faith, although I was brought up in a strict convent school."

Her life has been missing "contentment and peace of mind", she says. "But I've always had joy, I've always had happiness. I realise now that God answers my prayers."

Miss Fox is one of the highest-profile celebrity converts so far to the new trend sweeping Britain's youth. Her slot at Greenbelt might have surprised the wider public, but for months the Christian media have been reporting a worldwide religious revival.

A number of celebrities are now publicly embracing religion, enjoying the added cachet that Christianity provides. A new Christian magazine, *Light International*, will be launched on national newsstands before Christmas, its pages graced not only by Cliff Richard but by Whitney Houston and sportsmen Bernhard Langer and Kriss Akabussi.

Linda Wichelow, the magazine's managing director, says: "People are really searching for meaning to their life. Samantha Fox is very new in her faith. She needs time to grow. It was very brave of her to appear at a Christian festival so soon."

Outside her church, the charismatic evangelical Holy Trinity Brompton in Knightsbridge, queues of youngsters wait to get in on Sunday evenings. The church cannot hold the 1,000-plus who now want to worship there, and numbers are growing weekly.

Miss Fox is a recent graduate of Holy Trinity's Alpha course, a ten-week induction programme developed by the Rev Nicky Gumbel, a former barrister, aimed at non-Christians with little or no religious background. Alpha, which began in a living-room in 1976 with a dozen people, is now held three times a year. More than 500 would-be converts signed up for the latest course at Holy Trinity, and dozens of other churches nationwide have taken it up.

"When you first start practising to be a Christian, people are always putting you down," Miss Fox says. "You have to learn to deal with them by ignoring them.

"You know your belief, you know the faith you have, you know the relationship you have with Jesus. I just try to go through life being good to people, helping as much as I can. If I've offended anybody, well, I'm sorry."

She is distressed by the suggestion that some Christians walked out of her concert, offended by the raunchy nature of the act. She was not invited to appear at Greenbelt, where she shared the billing with three bishops and top bands such as The Proclaimers, but had asked if she could sing.

"I heard about this festival and I just wanted to be there and to celebrate God together," she says. "This is one of my first big gigs in England."

It remains her dream "to become an international superstar". Her band is working on its sixth album. Is it strong on religion? Well, no — but it deals with "day-to-day life, people, relationships".

The last mystery of Pitcairn

Life on a remote tropical isle may seem like bliss, but for small populations it can spell death



Pitcairn: today's descendants of Fletcher Christian on the island number a bare 56

WE HEAR plenty about there being too many people in the world, but what happens when there are too few?

The disappearance of human populations from remote islands after centuries of successful colonisation provides one of the most fascinating mysteries of archaeology.

Populations often die out because there are simply not enough of them left to maintain genetic diversity. In the case of St Kilda, off the west coast of Scotland, the last survivors were taken off at their own request in the 1930s. But no such option was available for the Greenland Norse, who disappeared some time in the late 15th or early 16th century, or for the Polynesians who once lived on at least a dozen islands in the South Pacific, including Pitcairn.

When Fletcher Christian and his fellow-mutineers from the *Bounty* arrived on Pitcairn in 1788 it was devoid of human company. But for several hundred years — between about 900 and 1600 AD — both Pitcairn and Henderson Island, which lies 100 or so miles away, had been settled by the Polynesians. Why, after seven centuries, did these populations disappear?

A new archaeological exploration of Henderson by Dr Marshall Weisler of the Marshall Islands Historic Preservation Office, published in the *Journal of Field Archaeology*, sheds new light on the mystery. Visiting Henderson as project archaeologist with the Pitcairn Island Scientific Expedition, led by Dr Michael Brooke of Cambridge University, Dr Weisler found abundant evidence of human settlement, ranging from pearlshell fishhooks to the remains of the thousands of animals and birds the Polynesian settlers ate. Traces of their homes and even their gardens were also uncovered.

Henderson is one of the world's most isolated islands, 1,000 miles west of Easter Island and 250 miles east of Mangareva, whence the inhabitants came in the great outburst of Polynesian colonisation around 900-1000 AD. They were attracted by the fish, shellfish, seabirds, and sea turtles on Henderson. They brought with them coconut and banana trees, the shrub *Cordyline fruticosa* for thatching, and possibly sweet potatoes.

HENDERSON probably never boasted a population of more than 50, Pitcairn a few hundred. But such was the Polynesians' skill as navigators that the two islands kept in touch successfully, as they both did with Mangareva. Henderson exported turtles and seabirds, and imported pearlshell from Mangareva and stone from Pitcairn.

The archaeological evidence shows that regular contact with Mangareva ceased in about 1450. By then, supplies of seabirds and turtles were in decline on Henderson, while the collapse of Mangareva into war and cannibalism cut off contact. For the next six generations the Henderson islanders survived alone.

They could not escape, because there were no trees big enough to build boats. With no stone for tools, they made poorer versions out of clam shells, and fashioned their fishhooks from inferior local shells. They were a tiny population "dying under the social equivalent of solitary confinement", says Dr Jared Diamond, of the University of California in Los Angeles, writing in the magazine *Nature*.

How exactly did they die? Dr Diamond says no marriage partners would have remained who did not violate incest taboos, as happened to the last four Yahi Indians in California. Even before that happened, the damaging effects of inbreeding may have become apparent, as is the case with the Amish of Pennsylvania.

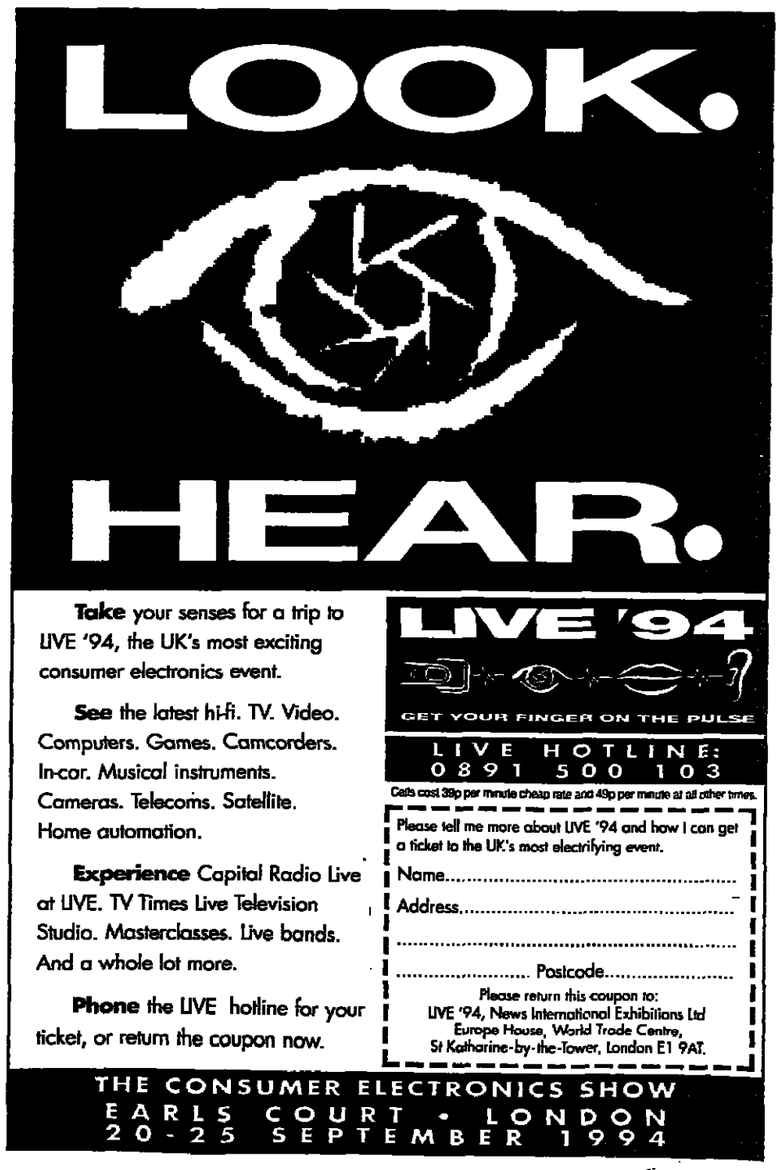
EVEN when there is plenty to eat, as there may not have been on Henderson, societies that fall below a level of a few hundred are living dangerously. We are so used to technological advance that it is difficult to imagine a world turned in on itself and spiralling towards stagnation, as befell the Norse population of Greenland.

They became so conservative that they refused to copy the methods of the Eskimo, or to devise comparable methods of their own. Within a few generations of the last visit of a ship from Norway, they had died out.

The Henderson islanders did pretty well, lasting on their own much longer than did the Norse in Greenland. It is haunting, nonetheless, to think of the last handful sitting in their caves awaiting death without even the comfort of children and grandchildren to carry their spirits forward. They must have felt themselves to be the last humans on earth.

Today's descendants of Fletcher Christian on Pitcairn number a bare 56, far too small to survive without the umbilical that links them to New Zealand. Without fresh blood they too will die as surely as did their Polynesian predecessors.

NIGEL HAWKES



Alan Coren



At last, I feel fully qualified for the road ahead

I took only the one A level this summer, and I have just had the result. My hands are still trembling. My mouth is still arid. My little heart is going pit-a-pat. Beads of aftershock wink on my pate. It is exactly the same as the reaction I had after I heard the O-level result in 1956. Almost exactly. The beads of aftershock did not wink on my pate, then, because I did not have a pate for them to wink on. Not only was the pate covered with hair, the hair had a school cap on it.

It had to have. It was an offence not to wear your school cap on the street, even if the rite of passage you had just negotiated by securing this particular O level was a right of passage which conferred, more than any mere homophone, adulthood. I did not wear the school cap, mind, while I was negotiating it: I stuffed it into my pocket before I stepped into the exam room, because the exam room was an Austin A35 and I did not wish to offer the examiner a hostage to fortune. If you wanted to be taken seriously as a driver, putting away childish things seemed a smart move. I hoped he would notice the grown-up nicotine stain on my forefinger.

Thirty-eight years on, driving towards the Institute of Advanced Motorists in Chiswick, I hoped that he wouldn't. Rather, that he wouldn't notice the spot where the stain had been before the forefinger had been pumiced to the bone. That had seemed a smart Advanced move. It went with polishing the ashtray, so that it declared: here is a motorist who does not distract himself by smoking. I also detached the detachable radio and replaced it with the replaceable trim. I thus hoped to compensate for the seriously negative signals given off by the rest of the car, for the rest of the car is a red BMW convertible, ie there are three major things wrong with it if a middle-aged driver wishes to be taken seriously as a grown-up. It should have been a black Volvo saloon.

Should it have been clean? Who could say? I had thought long and hard about this. Did a shiny car bespeak the right or the wrong priorities? Would the examiner ask me to lift the bonnet to check whether I was as assiduous about its innards? Might he turn pale and stagger at the sight of a grubby grommet, cry "Call that Advanced?", and throw away his clipboard? What about dress? Would it be more Advanced to front up in a flat cap and string-back gloves, or in a black homburg and a three-piece grey whistle? Not only did I not know any of this, I did not even know what was required in the driving line. What, precisely, was Advanced driving? Was it about skill, or about knowledge, or about caring, or perhaps about all three, would I be asked to take the car through a rainsoaked Druid's at 120, strip it down and rebuild it with only a nailfile, and then kiss a hedgehog back to life?

When I arrived in Chiswick, I discovered that it was tougher even than that. It was about satisfying Ted Clements MBE. Why in God's name had the IAM assigned me their Chief Examiner? This was merely an A level, it was not a B.Mot., it was not a D.Driv., why should it demand the scrutiny of a banana so top as to have inspected himself into the Honours List? Had the IAM been alerted that a driver of such ineptitude was about to put his head on the block that nothing but their most illustrious executioner would adequately serve the occasion?

I did not know, and do not still. I know only that our 90 minutes together from Chiswick to Windsor and back have changed my life so radically as to have persuaded me to write this piece solely in order to invite you to change yours. For miraculously, I have before me as I write a length of vellum testifying to my having become a member of the Institute of Advanced Motorists, and it has had the remarkable effect, at a stroke, of making me what it says I am.

For, truth to tell, the past 38 years have been far from Advanced. There has been many an occasion, indeed, when an Institute for Retarded Motorists would have been inscribing parchments by the quire. But all that has changed, simply as the result of my having been vouchsafed a criterion to justify. I cannot believe my driving now. I am a paragon. The very dogs on zebras bless me. My MBE can only be a matter of time.



A ceasefire is not peace

What John Major should understand is that the IRA uses promises of peace as just another tactical weapon in the war

We're off to see the wizard,
The wonderful Wizard of Oz.
We know he is a wizard,
We know he is because,
If he wasn't a wonderful wizard
He wouldn't be Wizard of Oz.

So long as we all sing loud enough and stick to the yellow brick road, the Emerald City will see us right. That is what wizards are for. Let us assume that the IRA this week declares its third ceasefire of the current troubles. Let us assume, for the sake of argument, that the ceasefire is indefinite enough to be called permanent. Let us assume that tit-for-tat killings are "defensive" and do not count. Let us assume that gangland and turf killings do not count. Let us assume that the Irish National Liberation Army and any dissident IRA cells in Tyrone, Armagh and elsewhere can be terrorised into line. Up to our necks in assumption, let us even assume that the ceasefire holds for three months.

Then what? What is the Government going to talk to the IRA about, all of a sudden, that has not been talked about ad nauseam? I wonder if the participants in this epic are not indeed searching for the Wizard of Oz: the scarecrow for a brain and the lion for his lost courage. But the wizard was a fraud.

First principles may be tedious in articles about Ireland. They are intractable, dreary, miserable things. But forget them and people die. The organisation on which the British Government's Ulster policy turns this week is a militant republican splinter group that has as its sole objective the reunification of Ireland. It does not accept the existence of Northern Ireland or the 1920 Government of Ireland Act. It believes the only democratic referendum on the future of the province would be one held throughout Ireland. The goal of Irish unity is to be achieved either peacefully or violently, whichever is quicker.

This position is wholly incompatible with that of the Unionists or the declared policy of the British Government. Northern Ireland pleaded for and won separation from the Irish state in 1920. The resulting United Kingdom has been recognised internationally for three-quarters of a century. Only the Irish Government does not accept it, in Articles 2 and 3 of its constitution.

Thus until a majority of people in Northern Ireland vote otherwise, there is no issue that an honest IRA negotiator can possibly discuss with British ministers, or honest British ministers with an IRA negotiator. Most Britons may regard Northern Ireland as a pain in the neck. They may regard Ulstermen as grasping, violent, dour, primitive in politics and religion. Poll after poll suggests that a majority of Britons wish Ireland would up anchor and drift off to Massachusetts. But try saying that to an Ulsterman. He will look you in the eye and point a stern finger at the ballot box. The Unionists do not have a veto, but the people of Northern Ireland do. On that veto all else hinges.

Previous IRA ceasefires in 1972 and 1975 failed. They failed not because there was no "will for peace". Ireland has that in abundance. They failed because there was no logic to them. The IRA wanted what nobody could give them, victory, a defiance of the veto. One government after another tried to square the circle with Anglo-Irish commissions, declarations and liaisons. "All-Ireland dimensions" have come and gone. Some, such as last December's, even passed muster with some Unionists. They have been accepted by moderate republicans, such as John Hume's Social and Democratic Labour Party. Many Ulster Catholics would like one day to join the south, but they are content for that to remain an aspiration, not a violent crusade.

Not so the IRA. The IRA sees its struggle as similar to that of the Palestinians or South Africa's ANC. Any negotiator who backslides on the steady march to victory is likely to find a bullet somewhere between his knee and his skull. No student of IRA strategy believes this week's ceasefire is anything but a tactical advance towards the IRA's final goal. The Government says its policy on self-determination for Northern Ireland has not altered one jot. How can that be? Either London is conning the IRA or the IRA is conning London. Which can play the longer game?

Simon Jenkins

What has been conceded by London, if not to the IRA directly then at least to its ideals, is unclear. Last December's Downing Street declaration was a boost to republicanism and to Gerry Adams' prestige. The British offered, in terms, to put pressure on the Unionists to accept closer ties, perhaps even union, with the South. Since then there has been talk of a joint authority for the North and South. There has been talk of a more systematic campaign to undermine the Union. Last week there was even talk of revising the Government of Ireland Act to dilute British supremacy in Ulster. The implication was that a revision of this Act was a *quid pro quo* for Dublin's dropping of its firm claim to the North. It would not be a *quid pro quo*, but an outrageous concession to the IRA.

The British Cabinet's stance is consistent with only one policy objective: that it wants to get shot of Northern Ireland, and the sooner the better. It will offer the IRA anything it decently can to secure "peace" in the hope that this will somehow bolster Unionist confidence. It will rush ahead with all-Ireland institutions to bolster republican confidence. Strands one, two and three of the abortive 1992 peace talks will be revived, and some sort of local administration will be attempted again at Stormont. This will embrace the IRA/Sinn Fein on the basis of its 10 per cent electoral support. A joint authority will involve the South, while referendum formulas will be devised which encourage the Unionists to accept diminishing British and increasing Irish control over, for instance, trade and economic policy.

As a policy, this has one virtue: it is a clear intention to end Ulster separatism and move towards Irish unity. Most Britons would support it. The policy also has one defect: it has no chance of working. It is poll tax in an Irish mist. British security sources hold to their 1970s view that once the IRA has declared a ceasefire it cannot easily return to active service. That is moonshine. More to the point, the policy could hardly be better calculated to raise every Unionist hackle and every Unionist fear. Even the mild-mannered Official Unionist leader, James Molyneaux, found himself saying that Mr Hume was "selling his soul to the devil". As for Ian Paisley, he expresses the alarm of more Unionists than his party's 13 per cent poll share indicates. He has already penned a venomous RSVP to any invitation to talk with the IRA/Sinn Fein.

Not much is required to get Unionist mobsters stirring up IRA mobsters. Just one UVF atrocity in a Catholic ghetto will have the IRA's anti-Adams faction back on the warpath. Even less is required to have talks about talks revert, as so often before, to silence about silence. None of these players, not Mr Molyneaux nor Ian Paisley nor the paramilitaries, yet has any idea of what new humiliation is being visited on them. These people are doing well out of direct rule. They have seen off every government initiative so far. Why should they capitulate to Mr Major?

Mr Major deserves sympathy for his vision of two European states determined to resolve a territorial dispute. He cannot see why men of goodwill cannot sort this out. The answer is that they can, but only if they keep clear heads. Handing the IRA the initiative last December was a mistake on Mr Major's part. Waiting for the IRA was another.

The chance last December was to marginalise the paramilitaries and proceed straight to a new devolved constitution on a fixed timetable. Had Mr Major then taken his courage in both hands, a new generation of political leaders might have been in place in the province by now. There was an option, and it was rejected because of Mr Major's (and MI5's) fixation with the IRA and the "defeat of violence".

Now the Government seems ready to sell out the Unionists. This is a high-risk policy. The Unionists showed in 1974 and 1985 that they can kick back, and kick hard. Mr Major has a small majority and a fierce Orange lobby on his backbenches. He may be able this week to shift the equilibrium of the conflict. He can start fighting Unionists rather than republicans. But he is stuck with their veto. After this week he is more stuck with it than ever.

The new empire builders

Lawrence Freedman on our 'near abroad'

The 1990s began with President Bush's optimistic proclamation of a New World Order, but as the decade has progressed the trend has been set by the more cynical Russian stress on the "near abroad". It is a trend that the West is following.

Moscow defines its near abroad as the territory of the former Soviet Union, in which some 25 million Russians still reside. This constitutes an area of "vital interest" where it may be necessary to take special measures to guarantee order and stability. With the notable exception of the Baltic States, the former Soviet republics have largely come to accept this doctrine. Whatever the constitutional position, their economic dependence upon Russia, and the striking disparities in military power, qualifies their political independence.

Western states have been uneasy about this, but have generally gone along with it. Again with the partial exception of the Baltics, they have not designated this an area of vital interests, and little practical can be done to help those within it to resist Russian power.

In addition, Western countries have their own equivalent doctrines. The Russians have no monopoly on interference in the affairs of close neighbours. The American interventions in Grenada in 1983 and Panama in 1990 have often been cited in Moscow as evidence of the special rights that great powers accord themselves when dealing with troublesome neighbours.

These days, the ability to operate freely within its near abroad is becoming a defining characteristic of a great power, in contrast to the more uplifting classical concept of accepting a general responsibility for maintaining international order. The current American behaviour towards both Haiti and Cuba seems to confirm the point. There is no reason, other than Cuba's puny stature and proximity to Florida, why Fidel Castro's tired communism should be treated any differently from China's, where the trade gates are being kept open.

Both the United States and Russia have used economic coercion as their preferred instrument of pressure in their near abroads, although Russia has been much more prepared to use military force. Washington seems to rely on generating some sort of internal coup or uprising, by forcing people, whom it might at other times accepted as refugees, to accept the consequences of American efforts to aggravate the economic dereliction of their islands.

France has been developing its own version of a near-abroad policy. It is desperate to avoid a radical Islamic takeover in Algeria, which could lead to a surge of immigration and have knock-on effects in Morocco and Tunisia. This fear has led it to support the military government, which stayed in power by cancelling elections that the Islamic opposition would certainly have won.

Germany's worries are to be found to its East. The recent scares over plutonium smuggling indicate its sensitivity to evidence of disorganisation in countries which were once safely behind the Iron Curtain. In this sense, Russia and Germany share a near abroad (which has always been an awkward feature of European politics), except that Russia itself is part of Germany's. However, Germany, which has a clearer sense than most of the constraints on its freedom of manoeuvre, is also the most aware of the dangers of the doctrine of the near abroad, and has consistently stated its preference for joint action with its Western partners.

The concept of the near abroad carries a risk of aggravating tendencies to parochialism, a presumption that international responsibilities need not extend much beyond the backyard, and unilateralism, an insistence that in one's own backyard one can act as one chooses. It can allow countries with no pressing problems nearby, such as Britain (Northern Ireland being an internal matter), to opt out of an international role. People considered by everyone to be in the "far abroad" can then be neglected, however dire their situation.

The power of the old great powers is no longer very great. Even with local crises, they can easily find that they have bitten off more than they can chew. Russia can impose its will on Georgia but not the Ukraine. The United States has so far managed to make life even more miserable for the Haitians and Cubans without toppling their regimes, and goodness knows how it will cope if last week's elections do not bring stability to Mexico. France's capacity to control events in Algeria looks inherently limited.

In all cases, the relevant great power has been looking for others to help. At most they get supportive UN resolutions. Otherwise they tend to find themselves on their own. The UN Security Council's authority is also put at risk if it is continually distracted by the pursuit of the special interests of the great powers, with only nods towards general principles and consistency, and without evident effectuality.

Of course in some parts of the world certain great powers will have a keener interest than most: but the notion that this amounts to a dispensation to act as they see fit is perilous. If the large are left to bully the small, it will lead to a lowering of standards of international conduct, creating awkward precedents for unsavoury regimes in the future.

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Laughter 88

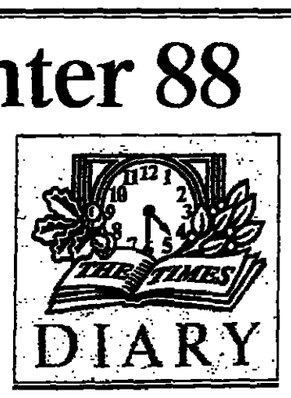
THE BRITISH constitution is no laughing matter — which is why Charter 88 is enlisting the help of John Cleese, Dawn French and Hugh Laurie to enliven its otherwise arid message. The comedians are helping to make a short series of television programmes, which the pressure group hopes will be shown by the BBC next year.

Roger Graef, whose independent production company Sisyphus is actually making the series, explains: "We are using comedy to raise some important issues. John Cleese is the main contributor, but there are a number of other big names involved, such as Imelda Staunton, Prunella Scales and Geoffrey Palmer."

Anthony Barnett, director of Charter 88, is closely involved in the series, which has the working title *Look at the state we are in* and will address such issues as the legal system, the royal prerogative, and the rise and rise of quangos.

"This is a terrible time to talk, as we are in the last week of filming," complains Barnett, "but the comedians are managing to make constitutional reform funny, comprehensible and popular."

Cleese, a founder signatory of Charter 88, is a little more forthcoming. "I have written two sketches and I am performing with Dawn French, who is an old friend, in a sketch on secrecy." He hopes the use of comedy will be rewarded. "I read constitutional law at Cambridge and I cannot understand why it is such a turn-off. If the series is not completely ignored, we hope to make some points about all the highly centralised nature of all recent government."



Top tables

CELEBRATIONS at Westminster School, which came top of the form in the A level league tables this year, may be a little muted, if its summer newsletter is anything to go by. David Summerscale, the Head Master, says he pays scant attention to such measures of achievement.

"In a school where so much happens beyond the purely academic ... we can perhaps claim not to care too deeply about league tables," he writes. "I would not like the achievement of our pupils to be diminished in any way by such artificial and inadequate means."

Summerscale, who dispatched the newsletter well before A level results were known, was rather more ambivalent yesterday. "With the benefit of hindsight, one might have used a slightly different formula of words."

Tall story

THE arrival of Magic Johnson is causing something of a stir at the Athenaeum Hotel in Piccadilly, where the American basketball star is staying, before an exhibition match between his team of All Stars and the LA Lakers at the London Arena on Friday. Preparations have been particularly frantic in the 10th-floor penthouse suite that the 6ft 9in Johnson will occupy.

Johnson's kingsize bed has already been extended by 2ft: special sheets have been ordered, and the shower-head has been moved up by at least six inches. Manager Sally Bulloch sounds relaxed: "We don't get many extremely tall people, but we had to make significant alterations for John Wayne back in 1974."

Brew ha ha

DRINKERS in the Highlands village of Tourmintoul wishing to raise a glass to their self-styled laird and sometime Scotland Yard accountant, Anthony Williams, will soon be able to do so in style. Local brewer Andrew Neame, of the Tourmintoul Brewery, tells me he is busy fermenting a draught bitter inspired by the accountant who is at present unhappily at the centre of a £4 million fraud probe.

Neame says that Laird of Tourmintoul, which will be served from pumps fitted with a policeman's helmet, is the ideal tipple. "It's a good, strong, honest and reasonably priced pint," he boasts. "I'm sure it would go down well in the police social clubs. I was thinking of sending a cask to the Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police."



One's hice

PLANS put forward earlier this month by Labour's Marjorie Mowlam for a "people's palace" to replace Buckingham Palace fell on deaf ears — except, that is, in architectural circles.

Now Will Alsop, the post-modernist architect best known for his sausage-shaped visitors' centre in Cardiff Bay, has been invited to judge a competition to find the best blueprint for a new palace.

"The Queen should become closer to her subjects, perhaps by becoming an Essex girl," says Alsop, who will judge the competition on behalf of the magazine *Building Design*. "I think she should live in the most current and extreme form of architecture. In Basildon."

● *The marital gravytrain of* Four Weddings and a Funeral *continues. Publishers Corgi are frantically compiling a book about the film for the Christmas market — out of sweepings from the cutting room floor and scriptwriters' jokes that failed to make it on celluloid.*

PC Games

PARIS may be marking the 100th anniversary of the modern Olympics in style, but in the quiet Shropshire village of Much Wenlock the celebrations are more muted, despite the well known fact that it was the Wenlock Olympian Society that inspired Baron de Coubertin to organise the modern Games.

Yesterday the village seemed happily unaware of the recent accusations that de Coubertin rejected women athletes and saw sport as a way of justifying white supremacy.

"I didn't know about that," says Norman Wood, current secretary of the Wenlock Olympian Society, which held its first games in 1851. "But I expect it was just a sign of the times. In the early days women didn't take part in athletics in our games either, only in poetry competitions and women's-crafts on the artistic side."

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TROUBLES AHEAD

The IRA will now demand its reward

Eight months after the Downing Street declaration, John Major must now feel tantalisingly close to his goal in Northern Ireland. The British Government will claim that wooing Sinn Fein in partnership with Dublin has delivered the best prospect of peace for a quarter of a century. The IRA is alleged to have told the Government last year in a secret communiqué that "the conflict is over". It has been widely assumed that this was a gesture of weakness, reflecting battle-weariness and the growing influence of the so-called "peace faction" within Republican ranks.

This is the optimistic view. It is not, however, the only view of what lies ahead. The same IRA statement could also be interpreted as a gesture of strength. There is absolutely no evidence that the IRA is operationally weak or that its command structure is failing. Its bombing of Heathrow airport in March caught the security services by surprise; shortly afterwards, a Republican mortar attack brought down an army helicopter in Co Armagh. The City of London remains subject to inconvenient security restrictions.

The Republican movement lacks electoral strength. Violence is the only lever it has in the affairs of the province. If it is to give up violence, it must be doing so in the expectation of some reward. But what? The answer may not become clear until the British and Irish governments publish their long-awaited framework document on the constitutional future of the province. Already, however, there is some expectation that the proposals will include a constitutional deal between the two nations.

The Republic of Ireland will probably dilute — though not drop completely — its antiquated territorial claim to the North. In return, the United Kingdom is expected to amend the 1920 Government of Ireland Act to strengthen the role which referendums will play in determining the future of the province. It will be said in defence of the first proposal that dilution is sufficient concession to the Unionists; of the second, that the amendment of the 1920 Act merely puts into statute form what has already been agreed in the Downing Street declaration.

Both arguments are specious. Articles 2 and 3 of the Irish constitution, which embody the territorial claim, are an outrageous anachronism of which any modern European state should be ashamed. They have no place in any diplomatic bargain. The Government of Ireland Act, likewise, is of profound symbolic importance to the Unionist community as the law that enshrines Parliament's control over the affairs of Ulster. The fact of amendment will seem far more important to Unionists than the detail of the change. They will see this concession as the first legislative step towards reunification. They will oppose such a step bitterly.

This may not matter very much to Mr Major at the moment. The Unionists have been flirting with Labour but it is difficult to see how they could ever give their support to a party which believes strongly in a united Ireland. Nor has the Prime Minister too much to fear from Tory backbench MPs who have shown little inclination to challenge the party line on Ulster. A ceasefire longer than a few weeks will win him support all over the world, particularly in America. For an unpopular politician looking for the statesman's laurels, this must seem an attractive set of circumstances.

Yet there are other factors to consider. The Irish government will set up a peace forum as soon as possible; it may invite Sinn Fein. How would Mr Major respond then? There may be no Unionist workers strike, but the closer the Republican movement gets to the negotiating table, the further the Unionist parties will distance themselves from it. Having seen that violence is rewarded, the Loyalist paramilitaries will almost certainly step up their campaign. Sections of the IRA will respond in kind. The Union — a foundation of our parliamentary democracy — will have been seriously weakened. It will then be time to ask what has been gained by this drastic step.

BACKPACKS AND BANDITS

Can we encourage Eastern tourists and keep out gangsters?

For forty years it seemed that visitors to Britain from behind the Iron Curtain came only to spy, to conclude trade agreements as part of official delegations or because they had the party connections to win a place on a trade union package tour. But the original leak that sprang in the Berlin Wall has now turned into a powerful and popular torrent. Nearly half a million people came from the former Soviet bloc last year. Many, especially the Russians, came not as impoverished bumpkins on an enforced pilgrimage to Karl Marx's grave, but as swaggering tycoons, ready to pay for expensive properties with suitcases of cash. Many more came as students, au pairs or — unthinkable a decade ago — as individual holiday-makers. They are changing the face of tourism in Britain.

It is still surprising to hear Russian in McDonald's, or learn about life in British boarding schools from Bulgarians. But increasingly people are relying on Polish handymen, Hungarian au pairs and students from all over Eastern Europe willing to do odd jobs for little cash. It is illegal for East Europeans to take any unpaid work while in Britain, and immigration authorities are zealous in turning away those who plan to pay for their stay as waiters or builders. A few more blind eyes would be welcome if they enable the thousands of impoverished new democrats who want to experience Britain to afford to do so.

More vigilance is needed, however, in keeping out the growing number of criminals and gangland bosses from the violent and growing East European underworld. Already there are warnings that Britain is being used as a centre for the Russian mafia: recent assassinations are a sombre reminder that the vendettas of Moscow, St Petersburg and Chechenia follow the Russian nouveaux riches abroad. So concerned are the security services that they are now establishing a presence in Prague, Warsaw and Budapest to help establish bulwarks against organised crime spreading from the east. However much the complaints grow of day-long queues at British consulates, maintaining a visa regime for some countries is a sensible first line of defence.

Yet Britain is likely to remain a favourite destination. Partly this is because of the language: English is overwhelmingly the first language of Eastern Europe, and Britain, with its cheap airline connections, is seen by many visitors as a natural jumping off point for America. Partly also the specific attactions of Britain — its literary heritage, history, theatre and monuments — are those which East Europeans were able to experience vicariously when still confined within their own borders and which they now want to see for themselves.

The mafia is coming also because Britons have a reputation for minding their own business, unlike countries where nosey neighbours ask questions. There is perhaps an argument for allowing in the crude new entrepreneurs if only to show them that not all business has to be violent or corrupt. This is a lesson that cannot be taught. It takes a pyramid selling scandal in every country before the victims recognise the unacceptable faces of capitalism; the South Sea Bubble burst in Britain long ago. Lord Howe once said, when advising the Ukrainian government, that the country needed some "licensed bandits" to get things going. He was right. There should be no surprise if they want to spend their winnings here.

AFTER THE HARVEST

September will bring to Britain a welcome change of pace

For those of us of urban cast, September is a knotty month. It is the time when we awaken to the fact that our lives circle with the seasons, responding less to matters metropolitan than to the rural rhythms of seedtime and harvest.

It is remarkable, and gratifying, that this should be so: Britain has, as a percentage of its population, the smallest rural workforce in Europe. When it is the time to plant, and the time to pluck up that which is planted, most Britons are engaged in labour that is not even remotely agrarian. Our various terms and timetables, however, are set to an older, atavistic clock: the country's post-August life, with its beehive buzz and jaunty bustle, resumes after the harvest. It would be no exaggeration to suggest that the new year starts not in January but in September.

The month is a parent's delight. Schoolchildren who must be amused, scolded (but not spanked), and cooked for are returned to the bosom of their schools with a vigorous relish. More homework means less housework. And universities, which lie fallow as the farms teem, reopen their gates to rusty undergraduates. The cricket season is over, alas, but the libraries are the busier for it. Academic terms echo our ancient agricultural ways: rural children were needed on the farms at harvest time, as were the servants at the older universities. Yet nowhere is the change more marked, nor the sense of a new year more apparent than in the stirring awake of the political tribe. In hibernation over the summer (now there's a thing!), our politicians and pundits, spin doctors and pamphleteers, emerge tanned from an August abroad to impart their doctrine to a September that is all ears. In massed ranks at seaside resorts out of season the political parties assemble for their table-thumping, foot-stomping, flag-waving conferences. Reputations will be made or tarnished, policy kites flown, homage paid and the new political season tuned to operatic perfection. *Nessun dorma.*

These conferences could serve as modern versions of the Ingathering, the traditional English harvest festival where participants sang, shouted and decorated their village and church with boughs. For change which occurs in Britain in the month of September is marked by no other ritual. And unlike at Christmas and the New Year, the country's shops and businesses view September with little interest: there is no pressure to buy or to give. This is, perhaps, the month's greatest virtue: indebted to "the harvest of a quiet eye", we are delivered to the New without ceremony, pomp or sacrament. Let us rejoice, therefore, in the rhythms of September.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Why Kurt Hahn could not have been a Nazi agent

From Mr Michael Varvill

Sir, Surely your report, "Gordonstoun head was accused of Nazi leanings" (August 25), should have made it clearer that the accusations were absurd, albeit perhaps understandable?

Naturally, in 1939-40, MI5 would have investigated Dr Kurt Hahn and all others in the UK of German extraction. But by 1939 Hahn was one of the world's most prominent anti-Nazi dissidents. He aimed, when he founded his first co-educational school, Salem, in 1920 in southern Germany, to inculcate the pupils with a sense of social responsibility, and to alert them — and require them to alert others — to the rise of fascism in Europe.

When the Nazis came to power in 1933, Hahn issued his famous letter to *alt*-Salemers requiring them to break with the school if they had any contact with the NSPD. This resulted in his immediate arrest and the enforced dispersal of his staff.

Hahn spent five months in jail in Berlin and was only released upon the intervention of the British Prime Minister, Ramsay MacDonald. Several of the Salem staff managed to escape from Germany by car boot, rowing-boat across Lake Constance, and other such means, and formed the nucleus of the staff of the new school, Gordonstoun. Two of my grandparents joined the school staff at its inception in Morayshire, and it was their exiled German colleagues who, as you report, were interned in Britain in 1939.

No doubt Hahn attracted the attention of certain British intelligence officers, particularly by the strong contacts which he maintained with the German resistance and by his monarchistic views. But this is far removed from evidence of Nazism, and his close friendship with several of the real decision-makers (Cumming House, Gordonstoun, was named after his friend, the first head of the British Secret Service, "C") kept him out of trouble.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL VARVILL,
6 Bowerdean Street, SW6.
August 25.

From Mr C. F. Flesch

Sir, Off-hand I cannot think of anyone less likely than Kurt Hahn to have been a spy. I knew him well, having been a pupil at his boarding school, Salem, from 1925-28. I also kept in touch with him after we had both reached this country as refugees. I know from personal experience that he hated spies.

During a school outing to Lake Constance we encountered a boatman who was under suspicion of having been a spy during the First World War. I still remember the loathing he expressed on that occasion.

He had his faults — who hasn't? — and I disagreed with him on many occasions. But he was an outstanding — and outstandingly good — man. I am sure he would have died rather than do anything underhand, let alone spy against the country that had given him refuge and was fighting Hitler.

Yours truly,
C. F. FLESCH,
94 Cholmley Gardens,
Fortune Green Road, NW6.
August 25.

From Sir Toby Coghill

Sir, There were many manifestations of paranoid suspicion in 1939, often stimulated by the enormously successful "Walls have ears" series of cartoons by Fougasse.

Indeed rumour in the locality of Gordonstoun was sure that Hahn had been seen on the cliffs of the Moray Firth, not setting up his famous Coastguard watchers service with a former member of staff, Commander Lewty, but sending secret signals to U-boats lying off shore!

The proximity of both Kinloss and Lossiemouth air stations, one on either side of the school, only heightened suspicions, and although official government clearance had been given for staff and senior students to enrol in the Home Guard, when offered their services the recruiting officer refused to sign them on.

Gordonstoun's difficult early years and Hahn's personal fight against Nazism is a fascinating tale still awaiting an authentic account.

Yours faithfully,
TOBY COGHILL,
Sourden, Rothes, Moray.
August 25.

From Lady Talbot

Sir, I wish to strongly refute any suggestion that Kurt Hahn was a Nazi sympathiser. In 1939 I was working on the *K-H Newsletter* — a publication run by Commander Stephen King-Hall on international affairs. Once a week we held a luncheon party specifically to bring together those people who felt very strongly that the German people should be made aware of the danger of Hitler in their midst.

Kurt Hahn was the instigator of this group, which included Lord Vansittart, Lord Moyne and the First Sea Lord, Sir Dudley Pound. A plan was devised by which thousands of leaflets were distributed in Germany, by air and overland. No one was more instrumental in helping this venture than Kurt Hahn.

Yours faithfully,
ELIZABETH TALBOT,
Wootton Fitzpaine Manor,
Bridport, Dorset.
August 26.

From Ms Alison Hahn and Ms Susan Hahn

Sir, Whilst our family has not had the opportunity of reading the newly released files about our great-uncle Kurt Hahn, it does not look as if they contain any surprises for us.

Happily, the anti-Nazi reputation and achievements of his first school, Salem, and his own record for courageous resistance to Hitler (in March 1933 he had the distinction of being Hitler's first political prisoner, following his protest against the actions of Hitler's thugs who murdered a young communist before the eyes of his mother in the notorious Potempa incident in August 1932) led MI5 to clear him of all suspicions.

It was disappointing, however, to read the implication in your report that, after his resignation from the headmastership of Gordonstoun, he returned to Germany solely to "teach at the Hermannsberg junior school" in Baden.

In fact, after leaving Gordonstoun in 1951 he also established, always with committed allies, the Duke of Edinburgh's award scheme, the Trevelyan scholarship scheme for entry into Oxford and Cambridge, the Medical Commission on Accident Prevention, and Atlantic College, the first of the United World Colleges. In addition he followed a very heavy programme of speaking, writing and fund-raising. This record encouraged many to regard him as the man who had contributed more original ideas than anyone else to British education in the 20th century.

Yours faithfully,
ALISON HAHN,
SUSAN HAHN,
1 Queens Court,
25 Earls Court Square, SW5.
August 25.

Ruffled waters at a Brighton beach

From Dr Ian Dunlop and others

Sir, Brighton Borough Council's planning committee is due to consider shortly an application which, many residents fear, will permanently scar part of the seafront's architectural heritage and character and make a brutal intrusion into Brighton's graceful shoreline.

The proposer is asking for planning permission to expand the Peter Pan amusement park, in Kemp Town, into a full-scale funfair, complete with roundabout, restaurants, roller-coasters, a ferris wheel, and museum. The existing area would be increased threefold to more than 135,000 sq ft of beach, covered with a concrete base.

The entire site is at the heart of a conservation area and lies immediately in front of what is often described as one of the finest stretches of Regency, Georgian and Victorian seafront architecture in the country — Marine Parade and Madeira Drive — leading to the magnificent Kemp Town estate, one of the great national examples of seaside town planning. These crescents, terraces and squares contain many listed buildings.

Brighton council, which is also the owner of the beach and therefore has a financial interest in the proposal, would, if it approved the application, be making a major departure from its own borough plan and also the East Sussex structure plan, which states that any development in a conservation area must both protect and enhance it.

The local businessman whose plan this is argues that the proposal would allow people of all ages, not just children, to enjoy the area; but such a large development would subject many residents to noise nuisance and visual pollution and deprive them, local fishermen and many visitors of a free and tranquil stretch of beach.

In our view any extension of the present funfair would become a dangerous precedent for developing the beach area. The Department of the Environment should take the initiative and call in the application to preserve Brighton as a keystone of our national heritage.

Yours faithfully,
IAN DUNLOP (Chairman,
Brighton and Hove Regency Society),
SELMA MONTFORD (Honorary Secretary, Brighton Society),
DAVID MORRIS (Chairman,
Kemp Town Conservation Society),
JANIE THOMAS (Honorary Secretary, Kingscliffe Society),
c/o 54 Osborne Villas,
Hove, Sussex.
August 30.

Milk supplies

From Mr Edward Towers

Sir, It is not surprising that the Dairy Trade Federation are not happy with Milk Marque [report, Business, August 23; letters, August 29]. Until recently the dairies had a very cosy arrangement whereby if they could show costs had risen they could automatically raise their prices, but the price the farmer was paid for milk was tied. This arrangement did not encourage efficiency among dairies. Perhaps a few redundancies are needed.

The old Milk Marketing Board sold milk on an end-use policy. Milk for liquid use always received the highest price and always had priority. This meant some butter and cheese factories only worked 30 per cent of the time. Now, for the first time, these factories can work all the time. With far greater utilisation, costs of production are far lower.

Yours faithfully,
EDWARD W. TOWERS
(Dairy farmer),
Holme Head, Hornby, Lancaster.
August 24.

Saving Taj Mahal

From Mr George Ferguson

Sir, Your report (August 23) on the campaign to save the Taj Mahal highlights the worrying damage caused by pollution and the appallingly executed cleaning and repairs. I was distressed by the apparent official indifference to this on a visit in June and by the visible pollution that hovers above Agra on a fine day, preventing the clear views for which the Taj is so famous.

Faced with its vast problems of population, pollution and deprivation, India cannot be expected to take total responsibility for the care of its historic monuments.

I trust that Britain and Europe will play a leading role in campaigning to save one of the world's greatest monuments from an avoidable death and help to provide the funding to make possible well researched conservation and repair.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE FERGUSON (Director),
Acanthus Architects Europe Ltd,
Royal Colonnade,
18 Great George Street, Bristol.
August 24.

Highland sting

From Mr Christopher Sandeman

Sir, I have recently toured the Highlands of Scotland, the land of my ancestors, for the first time. How did the kilt come to be commonly used in the same land as the midge?

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER SANDEMAN,
88 Bollo Bridge Road, W3.
August 29.

Equal treatment for handicapped

From Mr Doug Alker

Sir, Margot Norman's concern that disabled people are doing themselves out of better provision by campaigning too vociferously ("Grasp the helping hand", August 19) is certainly an interesting thesis. I must confess to an interest: I have been and always shall remain a campaigner in the field of disability.

However, I cannot share Ms Norman's conclusion that it is disabled people who are the "embarrassment". I have long worked with disabled people from all walks of life and am constantly amazed at the patience and courtesy with which they put up with a lack of facilities and also the clarity with which they argue their case.

Anyway, what is it that they are asking for that is so outlandish? The basic right to be treated equally — not, as Ms Norman suggested, to be equal in all things. It is this common misunderstanding of the wish by disabled people to be treated with dignity and equality that is the embarrassment, not the demand itself. Indeed it was not deaf people's campaigning that stopped sign language from being allowed in schools; rather it was the view of a misguided educational profession which thought it knew better than deaf people themselves.

The embarrassment for years has been the tendency for others to speak on behalf of disabled people, rather than let disabled people speak for themselves. It is this basic need to be treated as equal citizens that underlines the case for legislation to outlaw discrimination against disabled people.

Yours faithfully,
DOUG ALKER
(Director of Research and Development),
The Royal National Institute for Deaf People,
105 Gower Street, WC1.
August 22.

From Mr R. W. Peckford

Sir, Deaf people have never campaigned for hearing aids as Margot Norman seems to imply. On the contrary, they have fought for the reintroduction of sign language in schools since its use was banned by hearing educators in 1890. The introduction of hearing-aid technology in schools was also the work of hearing professionals.

The "dogmatism" that "robbed a generation of deaf children" of access to sign language was that of hearing people deciding what was best for deaf children. With this in mind, perhaps Margot Norman might begin to appreciate what deaf and disabled campaigners are driving at.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT W. PECKFORD
(Director of Advocacy Services),
British Deaf Association,
38 Victoria Place,
Carlisle, Cumbria.
August 19.

From Mr Roger J. Southam

Sir, There is a happy medium between the attitude of Mr Peter Utley and the young blind man mentioned in Margot Norman's article. Surely the important point that all members of society should remember is that there is no real difference between colour of skin or having a disability or not. In the same way that apartheid has been quite rightly outlawed, we should strive now for a society where nobody is disadvantaged through thoughtlessness, carelessness, or poor design of the built environment.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER J. SOUTHAM
(Chairman, Access Working Party),
Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors,
12 Great George Street,
Parliament Square, SW1.
August 19.

Professional skills

From Professor John Butler

Sir, I have recently been "targeted" by a firm of management consultants and invited to attend a two-day conference on "how to achieve organisational success through business-driven management in the NHS".

I am assured that I will find the questions to all my answers (*sic*), the solutions to all my problems and the keys to success through business-driven management.

I will be told how to devise a short-term meaningful forward plan, how to remain motivated in a horizontal management environment, and how to ensure that I have a permanent interaction with doctors and purchasers. And much more besides, in similar vein.

For the acquisition of these valuable skills I am required to pay £817.63, which would be reduced to £699.13 if I were employed in the NHS.

In fact I am not thus employed, which fortunately means that a patient somewhere in the NHS will receive treatment that he or she would otherwise have had to forgo while I was finding the questions to all my answers.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN BUTLER
(Director),
Centre for Health Services Studies,
University of Kent at Canterbury,
Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NF.
August 30.

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Zambezi bridge

From Dr Adrian Wilson

Sir, The plans being pushed forward by Vice-President Joshua Nkomo for a new bridge over the Zambezi near Victoria Falls (report, August 26) will put a lot more than wildlife at risk. For what Mr Nkomo must know (but not care to admit) is that Zimbabwe holds no special place in the average sunseeking tourist heart.

If there is not the added attraction of pristine wilderness and copious wildlife to draw him, the tourist will take his valuable dollars elsewhere just as sunny, but where vice-presidents are not apt to answer their critics with statements like "I warn them to move out of our country now before it is too late". However local environmentalists in Zimbabwe have to be constrained for a real fear of reprisal.

Impoverished inhabitants of rural Matabeleland are much more likely to derive benefit from eco-tourism and sustained wildlife utilisation, than from inappropriate schemes such as a new bridge where even the local road haulage association agrees there is no need for one.

Yours faithfully,
ADRIAN WILSON
(Chairman),
The Zambezi Society (UK),
Greenhill,
Dunsmore, Buckinghamshire.

Uncertain ground

From Mr S. B. C. Evelegh

Sir, "Elections are fought and won on the centre ground", asserts Julian Critchley ("The last post for the Tory Left", August 24). How then does he account for the successes of Mrs Thatcher, who was undefeated in three consecutive general elections? Or does he consider her a centrist and fellow member of the Tory Left?

Yours faithfully,
SHAUN EVELEGH,
Flat 40, 70-72 Chancery Lane, WC2.

Marriage à la mode

From Professor Alec Eden

Sir, You report (August 22) on the San Francisco couple who paid $100,000 to exchange their marriage vows "in the electronic fantasy world of virtual reality", rather than follow the more mundane tradition of looking into the eyes of one's imminent spouse at this high point of the matrimony.

Are we to assume that they carried this high-tech marriage to its logical conclusion by taking the headsets on their honeymoon?

Yours faithfully,
ALEC EDEN,
The Thatched House,
Mead Road, Torquay, Devon.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 30: The Prince Edward this afternoon arrived at Gatwick Airport, London, from Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Lieutenant Colonel Sean O'Dwyer was in attendance.

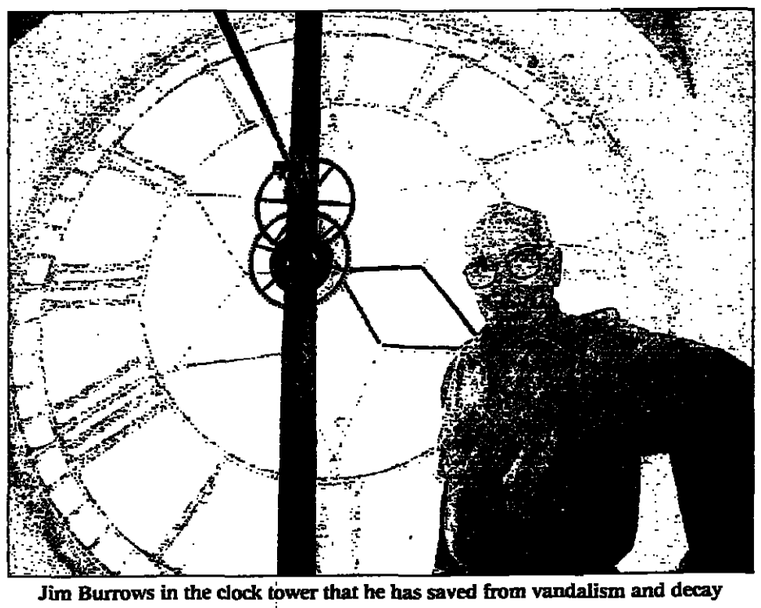
Birthdays

Mr Eugene Anderson, former chairman and chief executive, Ferranti International, 56; His Honour Michael Argyle, QC, 79; M Serge Blanco, rugby player, 36; Admiral Sir Brian Brown, 60; Professor Robert Hanbury Brown, astronomer, 78; Mr Roy Castle, entertainer, 62; Sir James Cleminson, former chairman, British Overseas Trade Board, 73; Mrs Ann Coffey, MP, 48; Lieutenant-General Sir Napier Crookenden, 79.

Judge de Piro, QC, 75; Miss Liz Forgan, managing director, Network Radio, BBC, 50; Sir William Francis, civil engineer, 68; Mr Richard Gere, actor, 45; Air Marshal Sir Edward Gordon Jones, 80; Mr Clive Lloyd, cricketer, 50; Professor Sir Bernard Lovell, former director, Jodrell Bank Experimental Station, 81; Mr Van Morrison, singer, 49; Mr Edwin Moses, athlete, 39; Mr Bryan Organ, painter, 59; Mr Itzhak Perlman, violinist, 49; Sir Barry Sheen, former High Court judge, 76; Mr Cyril Spencer, former chairman, Waring and Gillow, 70; Mr Clive Standen, Principal, British School of Osteopathy, 42.

Westminster School

The school year begins today at the Great School and on September 5 at the Under School. There are 941 members of the School, 670 in the Great School and 271 in the Under School. Following the appointment of Mr T. Jones-Parry to the Headmastership of Emanuel School, Mr E.A. Smith succeeds him as Under Master; Mr R.J. Court is appointed Second Master, and Mr C.Y. Harben Senior Master. Mr M.N. Robinson succeeds Mr E.A. Smith as Housemaster of Liddell's and Mr P.B. Hamilton succeeds Mr R.J. Court as Housemaster of Wren's; Mr R.R. Harris becomes Housemaster of the boarding girls' House in Barton Street, and Mrs D.J. Harris is Mistress of Girls. Dr J.R.G. Beavon takes over from Mr M.N. Robinson as Head of Chemistry while remaining Head of Science; Mr M.R. Williams becomes Head of French. Mr D.R. Cook becomes Master in charge of School Games, and Mr C.D. Riches becomes Head of Physical Education. Mr R. Bryant, Mr S.N. Curran, Mr R.J. Hindley, Miss A. Lewis, Dr A.R. Morris, Dr T. Price and Mr K. Tompkins are also joining the Great School staff. The Captain of the School is Blaise Metreweli (Barton Street/Grant's), and Refik Gökmen is Head of College and Deputy Captain of the School. The Elizabethan Club Dinner is on October 12. Performances of *The Threepenny Opera* will be given on September 20, 21, 22 and 23 and of *In Parenthesis* on November 23, 24 and 25 up School, and the School Concert is on October 14. Exeat is from October 15 to 30. The Brock Lecture will be given on December 6. The School Carol Service is in Westminster Abbey on December 12. Play Term ends on December 14.



Jim Burrows in the clock tower that he has saved from vandalism and decay

Forty years of battling alone saves Victorian clock tower

By Marcus Binney

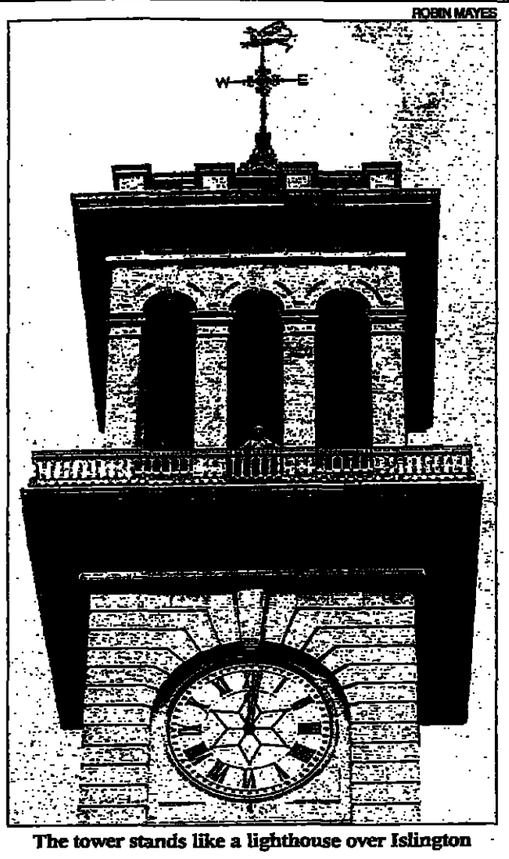
FOR 40 years Jim Burrows has fought an almost lone battle to save one of London's grandest clock towers from vandalism, theft and decay. The Caledonian clock tower in Islington, built in 1855 three years before Big Ben, has stood in majestic isolation, like a lighthouse, since the Metropolitan cattle market was demolished in the 1960s.

"I was born and bred under the clock and it's been my life ever since I was offered a couple of bob a week to wind it," says Mr Burrows. He spends several hours a day up in the clock tower and regularly camps there at weekends as a precaution against the vandals who try to break in. The 170-odd steps, many as vertical as ladders, are no problem to him. "I'm up and down like a squirrel."

Mr Burrows has worked unpaid, scrounging materials and spare parts for the clock, reclaiming what he could in turn from the LCC, the GLC and for the last 20 years Islington borough council.

Recently he helped secure nearly £100,000 of grant aid to repair the clock and renew the railings around. "When I heard about English Heritage I wrote a saucy letter to Number Ten and at last we got some help." Further support has come from Islington council and the Heritage of London Trust. The clock was built to chime on the quarter-hour like Big Ben but in deference to local residents Mr Burrows lets it ring only on his birthday and at New Year. But gritting his teeth against continuing vandalism, he adds: "If I'm feeling really bloody I let it chime all night." The extra funding will allow the clock face to be lit up at night. Mr Burrows has put in all the wiring and lighting himself.

ROBIN MAYES



The tower stands like a lighthouse over Islington

Pipes of peace are out in force

By Angus Nicol

THE greatly improved entry for the piping events at the Argyllshire Gathering, compared with last year, gave rise to the widely expressed hope that the controversy over judging may at last be over. It was evident, from the many pipers to whom I spoke that the great majority, if not all, want the strife to end so that they can get on with piping in peace.

Competitors for the Highland Society of London's Gold Medal were required to submit 10 tunes of their own choice. The Gold Medal was won by Dr Angus MacDonald, who played the classic MacCrimmon tune, the Lament for MacSwan of Roaig. Rory Grossant, to take second prize, played a tune appropriately from Argyll: the Lament for Captain MacDougall. William MacCallum came third with Praise of Marion.

The Dunollie Bard, Ronald MacDougall considered this tune to be the MacDougalls' gathering tune; others contend that it is a tune from the "Forty Five", since "Marion" was a code name used by Jacobites to refer to Prince Charles Edward. Angus MacColl took fourth prize with The Bells of Perth.

There was a set list of tunes for the Senior Piobaireachd competition, for which only gold medallists are eligible. All the tunes had been in the competition lists in recent years. But no competitor got through without a mistake. In spite of that, there were some musical performances. Pipe-Major Alasdair Gillies, QOH, won first prize together ith the Grant's Senior Piobaireachd Trophy, and the Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders' Cup, playing the Lament for MacLeod of Colbeck.

Second prize went to Michael Cusack, from the USA, for a performance of Scarce of Fishing. Angus MacColl played the nameless tune, Cherede darievea, to take third place. Murray Henderson, who also played the Lament for MacLeod of Colbeck, came fourth.

The Silver Medal was won by John Angus Smith, whose family, originally from South Uist, live in London. He played Corrienessan's Salute. Donald MacPhee, from the USA, came second playing Tulloch Aird (Book 6). Neil Walker, also playing Corrienessan's Salute, took third prize. Fourth place was taken by Alan Bevan, from Canada again with Tulloch Ard. In fifth place came Euan MacCrimmon, with Catherine's Lament. Once again, a very high standard of playing was shown in this competition: the winners of the Silver Medal will be the gold medallists of the future.

There was a very low entry for the junior events. This, I am told, is partly because some young pipers wish to retain their amateur status; however piping is not generally being taught in the primary schools in Strathclyde, which affects the numbers learning piping in the high schools. It is to be hoped that the region will restore this tuition in primary schools. Such a loss of pipers, together with amalgamations of Highland regiments, could have far-reaching consequences.

The MacGregor Memorial Piobaireachd competition for pipers aged 21 and under, was won by William Geddes, who played the Lament for MacDonald of Kinlochmoidart (No 1), and then Corrienessan's Salute.

The first day of the Gathering ended with the March, Strathspey and Reel for former winners, which provided a splendid evening concert for a large audience. First prize was won by Corporal Gordon Walker, RFH.

Full results

1. Gold Medal: 1 Dr Angus MacDonald; 2 Rory Grossart; 3 William MacCallum; 4 Angus MacColl. Judges: Major John M Allen, Malcolm MacRae, William MacDonald (Benbecula).
2. Senior Piobaireachd: 1 P/M Alasdair Gillies, QOH; 2 Michael Cusack; 3 Angus MacColl; 4 Murray Henderson.
3. Silver Medal: 1 John Angus Smith; 2 Donald MacPhee; 3 Neil Walker; 4 Allan Bevan; 5 Euan MacCrimmon. Judges: Ronald Morrison, Ronald Lawrie, Allan Beaton.
4. MacGregor Memorial: William Geddes. Judges: Donald MacPherson, James Young, James Burnet.
5. March, Strathspey & Reel: 1 Cpl Gordon Walker, RHF; 2 P/M Alasdair Gillies; 3 Sgt Brian Donaldson, Scots Guards; 4 James Murray. Judges: Major John M Allen, Angus MacLellan, James Young.

Latest wills

Mr Robert Cecil, of Hambledon, Hampshire, author and diplomat, left estate valued at £773,010 net.

Mr Henry Powell **Croom-Johnson**, of Twickenham, west London, Assistant Director-General of the British Council 1966-72, left estate valued at £173,455 net.

Mary **Brun**, of Great Barr, West Midlands, left estate valued at £841,183 net.
She left £283,000, certain shares and effects to personal legatees, and the residue equally between the Alzheimers Disease Society, and the Elizabeth Svendsen Trust for Children and Donkeys, Skimouth.

Other estates include (net before tax):

Mr Geoffrey Weaver **Adams**, of Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire £2,235,116

Mr Thomas William **Batho**, of Hampton Bishop, Hereford..... £730,034

Mr Cecil Julian **Bendall**, of Hitchin, Herts..... £653,458

Colonel William Brian **Blain**, of Stoborough, Dorset £538,675

Mr Ernest **Clay**, of Betchworth, Surrey..... £2,397,670

Jill Suad **Dennett**, of London NW5..... £698,222

Mrs Naomi Florence **Goddin**, of Saltdean, East Sussex £573,539

Mrs Audrey Margaret **Haslehurst**, of Allestree, Derby £553,767

Kathleen Valerie **Herbert**, of Dorking, Surrey..... £618,666

Mr Frederick Alwyn **Hewett**, of Hook, Hants £714,243

Mr Conrad Leonard **Lewin**, of Marlingford, Norfolk £1,518,576

Mr Arthur Leon **Simon**, of Hascombe, Surrey.. £1,938,205

Marjorie Mycroft **Hall**, of Wollaton, Notts..... £703,464

Mr Oliver William **Hobson**, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire £525,323

Mrs Joan Agnes **Kies**, of Hitchin, Herts..... £977,498

Mr Gerard Joseph **Maher**, of Liverpool..... £509,153

Mr Robert Sidney **Matthews**, of Holywell, Clwyd... £520,616

Mr Edward **Ochrymowicz**, of London, SW3..... £1,383,055

Kathleen Frances **Wade**, of Dorking, Surrey..... £1,381,769

Memorial service

Air Chief Marshal Sir John Thomson

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Air Chief Marshal Sir John Thomson, GCB, CBE, AFC, will be held in St Clement Danes, Strand, London, on Wednesday, September 14, at noon. Dress for the occasion will be: Serving Officers': Full Ceremonial Day Dress. Civilians: Morning Dress or Lounge Suit.

Those intending to be present are asked to notify the Ministry of Defence, PId(Ceremonial) (RAF) on 071 305 7567 or 7314. Enquiries should not be made to St Clement Danes.

Lecture

British Library

On Thursday, September 1, at 6pm, Dr Susan Compton lectures on A Revolution in Book Design, in the British Museum Lecture Theatre, Great Russell Street, London, WC1, in connection with the exhibition All Change Russian Avant-Garde Books 1912-1934. Admission is free, by ticket, at the door. Information - 071-412 7760/412 7704.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr G.D. Abbott
and Miss J.M. Jarrett
The engagement is announced between Giles, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Abbott, of Finedon, Northamptonshire, and Judith, younger daughter of the Bishop of Burnley and Mrs Jarrett.

Mr P.G.St.J. Ansdell
and Miss L. Potter
The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Ansdell, of Ampney St Peter, Gloucestershire, and Louise, elder daughter of Mr David Potter, of Norland Square, London, W11, and Mrs Ian Curteis, of Coln St Aldwyn, Gloucestershire.

Mr R.S. Howes
and Miss L.A. Hulton
The engagement is announced between Rupert Spencer, younger son of Mr Peter Howes, of Teddington, Middlesex, and Mrs Jane Maxwell, of London, and Louise Anne, second daughter of Major and Mrs Frederick Hulton, of Berriew, Montgomeryshire.

Mr A.A.G. Myers
and Miss L.C. Denny
The engagement is announced between Adrian, elder son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Myers, of Ilchester, Somerset, and Louise, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Denny, of Gustard Wood, Hertfordshire.

Mr J.D. Ogilvie
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The engagement is announced between Justin, elder son of Mr and Mrs Duncan Ogilvie, of Clifton, Bristol, and Katherine, daughter of Mr and Mrs Alfred Smuland, of Nanaimo, British Columbia.

Mr W.B. Tollemache
and Miss M.S. Lacey
The engagement is announced between William, son of Mr and Mrs Robert Tollemache, of Islington, and Minna, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Lacey, also of Islington, north London.

Archaeology

City slipped away during the night

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

THE disappearance of the ancient Greek city of Helice in 373 BC may have been due to an earthquake caused by reactivation of an old geological fault. Radiocarbon dating of marine shells shows that the terrain has moved vertically by at least 6.5 metres (20ft) over the past five millennia.

The disappearance of Helice, on the southern shore of the Gulf of Corinth, is described by the Classical author Aelian, who reported that "for five days before ... all the mice and martens and snakes and centipedes and beetles ... left in a body. And the people of Helice seeing this happening were filled with amazement, but were unable to guess the reason".

Then, Aelian says, an earthquake occurred during the night, the town collapsed and an immense wave engulfed it. Helice vanished, and its site has still not been located.

Dr Claudio Vita-Finzi, of University College London, and two Greek colleagues have, however, come up with a scientific explanation for the disaster: "We propose that it was submerged as the result of a seismic slip on a normal fault", they reported in the journal *Terra Motae*. The fault itself was observed in 1861 by a German geologist, who saw a fresh vertical slippage some two metres high and 13 kilometres (8 miles) long just south of the present shoreline, when a strip of the coastal plain slipped slowly under the sea.

Dr Vita-Finzi and his colleagues argue that this was the same fault responsible for the end of Helice. Another reactivation in AD 1402 and other historical data suggest that major earthquakes occurred along this fault line at intervals of between 400 and 1,600 years, and the overall uplift of the land on the south side of the fault suggests an average net emergence of some two metres every 1,600 years. At Sparta, in contrast, the cycle seems to be about 3,000 years long: there was a major earthquake in 464 BC, and the next one is due around AD 2536.

Short-term records are inadequate for assessing the likelihood of another earthquake on the Helice Fault: the investigators suggest that further radiocarbon dating of the geological sequence could provide the necessary data, however. "Without the archaeological and geological evidence the danger level would be set far too low or too high," Dr Vita-Finzi said. "The other conclusion is that centipedes are smart".

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Charles Lever, novelist, Dublin, 1806; Theophile Gautier, writer, Tarbes, France, 1811; Hermann von Helmholtz, scientist, Potsdam, Germany, 1821; Maria Montessori, educator, Chiravelle, Italy, 1870; Wilhelmina, Queen of The Netherlands 1890-1948, The Hague, 1880; Billy "Bombardier" Wells, British heavyweight boxing champion 1911-19, 1889; Frederic March, actor, Racine, Wisconsin, 1897.

DEATHS: King Henry V, reigned 1413-22, Vincennes, France, 1422; John Bunyan, writer and preacher, London, 1688; Jon Keill, philosopher, Oxford, 1721; Louise de Bougainville, navigator and scientist, Paris, 1811; Arthur Phillip, preacher and writer, 1st Governor of New South Wales, Bath, 1814; Charles Baudelaire, poet, Paris, 1867; Georges Braque, Cubist painter, Paris, 1963; Ilya Ehrenburg, novelist and poet, Moscow, 1967; John Ford, film director, California, 1973; Henry Moore, sculptor and painter, Hertfordshire, 1986; Urho Kekkonen, President of Finland 1956-82, Finland, 1986.

Mary Ann Nichols was murdered in Whitechapel, London, the first victim of Jack the Ripper, 1888.

Coca-Cola went on sale in Britain, 1900.

The Threepenny Opera by Kurt Weill and Bertold Brecht was first performed in Berlin, 1928.

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Psalm 17:7

BIRTHS

ALDERSLEY - On August 27th to Rachel and John, a daughter, Miranda Kate, a sister for Juliet Daisy.

ASHBY - See Muller

ASSCHER BARRETT - On 19th August to Jane and Stephen, a daughter, Lucy Rose Barrett.

BEARE - On August 24th to Penny (née Hiza) and Charles, a daughter.

BELGHAFBIA - On August 26th at The Wellington Hospital, a beautiful daughter Jenna, to loving parents Jacqueline Ann and Hamad Ali.

BENTLEY - On August 26th 1994 to Katie (née Palmer) and Kevan, a daughter, Olivia, a sister for Kinvara

CAMPBELL - On 24th August 1994, to Sarah (née Mackechnie) and Marcus a son, Hector Alistair.

CLADD - On 26th August to Nick and Helen, a son, Oliver Ryan.

CRASTON - On 26th August 1994 to Morwenna (nee Hingston) and Matthew, a daughter, Tabitha, a sister for Tilly and Eliza.

ELLIOTT - On August 29th to Catherine (née Lawrence) and Rupert, a daughter, Eliza Harriet Rosemary.

FERGUSSON - On August 26th to Jessica (née Astley) and David, a daughter, Lucy Iona Jane, a sister for Jamie.

FERNANDEZ - On August 27th at The Portland Hospital to Janet (née Scodia) and Gus, a beautiful daughter, Jessica Rachel Ella 12oz at 17.40pm

GRAHAM - On 29th August 1994 at Pembury Hospital, Tunbridge Wells, to Sharon (née South) and Tim, a son, Harold Sinclair.

GREENWOLD - On August 24th at The Portland Hospital to Natalie (née Onona) and Philip, a beautiful son, Nathaniel Oliver, a brother for Benjamin.

BIRTHS

HAYWARD - On August 23rd to Georgiana (née Hamilton-Russell) and John, a daughter, Antonia Katharine, a sister for Cicely and Edwina.

HILL - On 18th August to Nicola (née Gwynne-Howell) and Warwick, a son, Arthur James Gwynne.

JACKSON - On 24th August to Catherine (née Hamilton) and Tim, a daughter, Louisa Rose.

JACKSON - On 24th August to Caroline (née Palmer) and Philip, a son, George Frederick John

MALLERET - On 26th August 1994, at Queen Charlotte's to Mary Anne (née Broom-Smith) and Thierry, a daughter, Constance.

MARKLAND - On August 20th to Nicky (née Waddell) and Andrew, a son, Hugo, a brother for Thomas.

MARRITT - On 27th of August to Kathryn and Nigel, a daughter, Charlotte Rose, a sister to Daniel, Rebecca and Laura.

MULLER - On 29th August 1994 to Astrid and Peter, a daughter, Anna, sister for Kathryn and Helen.

NORRIS - On August 19th at The Portland Hospital to Ann (née Benenati) and Alan, fantastic twin sons, Christopher Lloyd and Stephen Luke

ROBSON -To Rupert and Lucy (née Howe) a beautiful daughter, Imogen Angela Margaret on 22nd August 1994 at The Chelsea and Westminster Hospital.

ROSS STEWART - On August 27th 1994, in Johannesburg, to Margaret (née Stephenson) and James, a daughter, Katherine Margaret.

TREDINNICK - On 24th August, to Noël and Fiona (née Cooper-Johnston) a son, James Alexander Johnston. A much loved brother for Isabel (11)

TROUP - On 26th August to Caity (née Buchanan) and James, a son, a brother for Rose and Christopher.

WADHAM - On 26th August, 1994 to Shirley and Julian, a son, Oliver, a brother for William and Thomas.

BIRTHS

WAKEFIELD - On August 24th, 1994 to Fiona (née Nelson) and Martin, a daughter, Sophie Louise.

WARD - On 22th August to Sarah (née Morris) and Nigel, a son, William David Edward, a brother for Katherine and Rosanna.

WOODWARD - On 24th August to Norma (née Johnson) and Michael, a son Alexander James Robert, a brother for Jessica.

YEUNG - On August 22nd at The Portland Hospital to Victoria and Raca, a son, Owen Thomas

YOUNGMAN - (Berwick-upon-Tweed) - On 26th August to John and Cait, a daughter, Victoria Karen, a sister for Pearl.

ZARACH - On August 24th at The Portland Hospital, a son Alexander was born to Erica and Neil

DEATHS

ASQUITH - On 26th August 1994. The Hon. Lois, beloved husband of Merlet, father of Lucy and Anne. Funeral Service at St Andrew's Church, Bishopstone, Sussex on Friday September 2nd at 2.30pm. All friends welcome. Flowers to church, or donations if desired, in his memory to King Edward VII Hospital for Officers, Beaumont St, London W1.

BANKS - On 27th August 1994, at King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Eleanor Marjorie Banks (née Higgins), widow of Captain Ronald Banks, mother of Anthony, Peter and Carol. Funeral at St Peter's, Hambledon, Nr. Godalming, Surrey at 2.pm on Monday 5th September 1994. Family flowers only. Donations to the Macmillan Nursing Service.

BLAIRMAN - On 29th August, Celia, widow of Philip, in her 97th year. Greatly loved by her children, Wendy, Joan, Jacqueline and John, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Funeral today, Wednesday 31st August at Willesden Jewish Cemetery at 12. o'clock.

DEATHS

BROOKES - Pearl (née Colquhoun) on August 24th peacefully at home on the Isle of Arran with her family, wife of the late Dr. Edwin Brookes, beloved mother of Denise, fond mother-in-law of Julian Bond and much loved and loving grande of Kate and Mark. The Cremation has already taken place.

CARNES - Alice Margaret, peacefully after a short illness on Sunday 28th August aged 86. Funeral service at Taunton Deane Crematorium on Monday 5th September at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired, are being received for The Gardener's Royal Benevolent Society by Leonard E. Smith Funeral Directors, of 1 Haydon Road, Taunton.

CALLAM - Peacefully on August 26th 1994 in St. Andrews after a long and gallant fight, Dr. W. David Callam M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S., Ed., F.R.C.O.G., devoted husband of Norah and loving father of Rosemary, Flora, Michael and Nicola, much loved and missed. Cremation at Kirkcaldy Crematorium on Thursday September 1st at 12 noon. Family flowers only please.

CRAWFURD - Stephen, beloved husband of Maude (née Kane) and eldest son of the late Sir Raymond and Lady Crawford, died peacefully Oakland, California, on Sunday August 28th aged 54.

FRENCH - On August 25, peacefully at home, Ronald Henry. Beloved husband of Dorrie and much loved father and grandfather. Private cremation by his request.

GANGSTED - Henrik, beloved husband of Jutta and father of Erik and Peter, peacefully, on August 24th in London. May God's peace be with you. The funeral will be in Copenhagen, Denmark, and a Memorial Service will be held at St. Barnabas' Church, Addison Road, Kensington W14 on Saturday 24th September at 5.30 pm.

DEATHS

GARDNER - On August 26th peacefully at home Tessy aged 84, much loved wife of Norman, dearly loved and loving mother and grandmother. Family funeral at Barton, Yorkshire on Thursday 1st September at 2.30pm. Family flowers only. Memorial Service on Monday 12th September at 3pm at St Peters, South Hanningfield.

GORDON - On August 28th, Peacefully in hospital in her 94th year, Winifred Emily (Pen), widow of the late A. Leslie Gordon. Much loved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral at the Chiltern Crematorium Amersham on Wednesday September 7th at 12.00 pm. Donations family flowers only. Donations to Padstow *RNLI Lifeboat c/o J. Hudd, 44 Trevethyn Rd Padstow PL2 8DN.*

GRAY - On August 21st suddenly and peacefully whilst on holiday in Paris Ronald Ernest, very dear husband of Joan and much loved father of Malcolm, Tony and their families. Funeral Service at St. Paul's Church, Queens Road, Kingston upon Thames at 12 noon on Friday, 2nd September, followed by a private Cremation at the Kingston Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired c/o The Funeral Directors, Freik Paine, 29 Coombe Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT2 7AY.

HALL - On August 27th, Joseph Rosling (Jim), Dear husband of Barbara for 54 years. Father of John, Marcia and Andrew. Father in law of Brian Osborne. Grandfather of Charles, Susanna, Alistair, Abigail, Luisa and Sophie. Cremation at Worth at 10.00 am Friday 2nd Sept. Family flowers only.

DEATHS

HARPER - Leonard Robert aged 85 years, peacefully on Sunday 28th August 1994, in Polebrook Nursing Home. Much loved father and grandfather and beloved husband of the late Enid Harper. A Thanksgiving Service will be held at St. Mary's Church, Titchmarsh on Friday 9th September 1994 at 3pm. No flowers please, but donations if wished, to St. Mary's Church Restoration Fund, c/o Church Schools Company, Church Street, Titchmarsh Northants NN14 3DA.

HARRIS - Peacefully on 27th August, at Mid Bucks Medical Centre, Kathleen Vallins Harris (née Nicholas) of Fetcham, West Sussex. Beloved wife of the late Godfrey, much loved mother of Susan and Rosemary, grandmother and great-grandmother. Cremation at Amersham Crematorium on Tuesday 6th September at 11am. Flowers to R.Y. Green, Aylesbury. Tel: 0296 82041, or donations to Cancer Research Campaign.

HUTCHINSON - Therese Marie Gabrielle (née Thallier de Pouzeville aged 72 at the Brompton Hospital London, on 28th August. Widow of the late David Moore Hutchinson. Dearly loved mother of Elizabeth, Charlotte & Patrick, grandmother to Gemma, Sara, Tanya and David. Courageous and dignified to the end. Donations to the Arthritis and Rheumatism Council for Research c/o Sanders & Sons, 28-30 New Road, Richmond, Surrey, TW9 2NA. Funeral at 10.00 am Monday 5th September at St. Simon's Catholic Church, St. Simon's Avenue, Putney, London.

IRWIN - On 27th August peacefully after a short illness fought with great spirit Audrey Lilla, beloved wife of Brian and very dearly loved by all her family to whom she was devoted. Private family cremation. No flowers please, but donations if desired for Cancer Research c/o J. Sharpey (0703 282264) to whom all enquiries should be made. Thanksgiving Service will be held later, details to be announced.

DEATHS

KUHN - Heinrich Gerhard, F.R.S., Emeritus Fellow of Balliol College, Oxford - peacefully at home on 26th August 1994 aged 90 years. The funeral service will take place on Monday 5th September at 12 noon at the Oxford Crematorium. All enquiries to A.W. Bruce, 29 Roger Street, Summertown, Oxford.

LEE - On August 26th 1994, peacefully at home, after much ill health, aged 81 years, William Rufus Lee, O.B.E., beloved husband of Elinor, much loved father of Martin, Viv and Trickie; grandfather of Antonia, Louise and Alexander; Polly and Nicky; Rebecca and Sam. Requiem Mass at St. John the Baptist Church, Purley on Monday 12th September at 10 am, followed by Cremation at Croydon Crematorium.

LEIGHTON - Henry (Harry) Leighton, on Saturday 27th August, aged 82, father of Hilary. Cremation at Golders Green Crematorium at 2.15pm on Monday 5th September. Enquiries please to J. Stevenson & Sons, tel 071 7611381.

LINCOLN - John David. On 30th August 1994, died peacefully after a long illness courageously borne. Wonderful husband of Delphine, much loved father of Peter, Joanna and Phillipa, and lovely grandpa to Peter, John, Jessica, Charlotte and Molly. Requiem Mass on Thursday 1st September at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Catholic Church, Llandudno, at 12.00 noon, followed by Committal Service at Colwyn Bay Crematorium. Family flowers only by request, but donations in memory of David may be given to the M.N.D.A. C/o Scott Owen, Tom Owen and Son, Funeral Directors, 10 Madoc Street, Llandudno. Tel: 0600 860280

LONGDON - Peacefully on Friday, August 26th 1994, Tony, of Little Longstone, Derbyshire. Funeral service and interment at St. Giles Church, Great Longstone on Tuesday September 6th at 12 noon. Flowers may be sent to J.W. & J. Mettam Limited, Mill Street, Bakewell.

DEATHS

PEARTON - On August 25th at Ealing Hospital, Denise Colette Jeanne, widow of the late James Gore Pearton. Funeral service at Our Lady of Grace and St. Edward, Chiswick, at 10.00 am Friday 2nd September, then Mortlake Crematorium at 11.00am. Flowers to Frederick W Payne, 468 Chiswick High Rd W4, on Thursday 1st.

PHILLIPS - M.R.Pharm.S. On 26th August 1994 peacefully at Trequanna House Camborne Cornwall, Norman Keable in his 96th year, loved husband of the late Winifred Jane and Muriel Enid. Loved father of Dr. John, Monica and Margaret. Funeral service on Friday 2nd of September, Roskear Church, Camborne at 3 pm. Family flowers only but donations for the Earl Haig Poppy Appeal may be sent to the Funeral Director Colin Matthews, 65 Tehidy Road, Camborne, Cornwall 0209 717772

POWERS - On August 24th 1994, Michael Anthony Bobolon F.R.I.B.A., Founder Partner Architects Co-Partnership. Peacefully after a long period of failing health, remembered forever with love by Frances and all the family. Private cremation, no flowers, no Memorial Service by request.

ROSEY - On August 27th 1994, very peacefully, Edward Petre, F.C.I.I., in his 85th year, dearly loved and loving husband of Ella. Funeral Service at Bournemouth Crematorium Friday September 2nd at 1.45 p.m. No flowers by request but if desired, donations for PRAMA may be sent to Deric Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, 785 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth. BH7 6AN.

SPIELMAN - Suddenly on 29th August at Lausanne, Edward Joseph (Eddy) aged 84 years. Beloved husband of Sally, much loved father of Anthony and grandfather of 2sons, Mark and Lucy. Funeral private. Details of Memorial to be announced later.

DEATHS

STOTT - On 27th August, peacefully at home, Mary Ann beloved wife of Brian, mother of Elizabeth and Michael and granny of Alexander and William. Remembrance Service on Monday 5th September at Worthing Crematorium, 11.20 am. Family flowers only please. Donations in lieu if desired, to Marie Curie Cancer Care, c/o H.D Tribe Ltd, 21 West Street, Storrington, Sussex RH20 4DZ.

WEBSTER - Thomas John Villiers (Tom) aged 24 suddenly on 25th August. Adored son of John and Val, brother of Lucille and Rosalie. Private cremation followed by a service for his life at St Peter's Church, Soberton on Friday 2nd September at 2.30pm. No flowers please. Donations gratefully received by the National Society for Epilepsy c/o Thomas Pink & Son, Bishops Waltham SO3 1AN.

WIDGERY - On 27th August 1994 at Hinchingbrooke Hospital, Kds. of Dorset, Cambridgeshire. Gold Star Member of the Inner Magic Circle, beloved husband of Mary for 55 happy years, dearly loved father of Anne and David and devoted grandfather. Funeral Service at Cambridge Crematorium West Chapel on Monday September 5th at 2.30pm. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, for Magic Circle Benevolent Fund c/o Robert Parish Funeral Director, 7 Overcote Lane, Needingworth, Cambridge PE17 3TU. Friends are invited afterwards to meet at The Three Horseshoes, Madingley.

WRIGHT - On August 26th suddenly in Lukes Bade, Betty Pamela (née Lambert) aged 62. Much loved daughter of Glad and sister of John. Dearly beloved wife of Walter (Pip), mother of belinda and Ian, mother-in-law of Amanda and adoring grandmother of Agatha. Funeral at St. Margaret's Church, Staveley, Beds at 1.30pm on Friday 2nd September. Family flowers only but donations if desired to St. Margaret's Church.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

WALLIS - Mark Thomas, Managing Director, South Moreton, Marriott, Somerset. Thanksgiving Service at Marriott Parish Church on Monday October 10th at 2pm. Donations to Macmillan Oncology Unit Y.D.H. c/o Stoodley & Son, Funeral Directors, Crewkerne, Somerset. Tel: 0460 73229.

IN MEMORIAM — WAR

STUART - Sqdn. Ldr. (Pilot) Antony Charles Lethbridge Abroat R.A.F. (V.R.) 76 Sqdn. Age 25. Son of Charles Henry Abroat Stuart and Helena A. Stuart B.A. (Oxon). Laid to rest at Roermond, Holland - never forgotten by his great friend Garth.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

METHUEN - The Funeral Service for Anthony John Lord Methuen will take place at 2.30 p.m. on Friday 9th September 1994 in St. Bartholomew's Church, Corsham. Family flowers only, but donations if wished, to The R.N.I.I. or The Corsham Alms Houses (Payable to The Dame Margaret Hungerford Charity) c/o E. Hooper & Son, 13 St. James Parade, Bath, BA1 1UL.

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OBITUARIES

DAME MAREA HARTMAN

Dame Marea Hartman, DBE, manager of the British women's athletics team, 1956-78, and president of the AAA, died in London on August 29 aged 74. She was born in 1920.



IN A career which was devoted to nurturing female athletic talent, Marea Hartman began running as a schoolgirl and went on to compete for Spartan Athletic Club and for Surrey. She later became, successively, team manager for the Women's Amateur Athletic Association and was for more than twenty years women's team manager at seven Olympics as well as at European and Commonwealth Games.

It has been remarked of her that her personality was a cross between "that of a favourite great aunt and the Queen Mother". Certainly, the range of qualities implied by both these descriptions was necessary to maintain discipline among teams of young women competing — as well as enjoying themselves — in often exotic climates, far from home. One moment she might find herself having to be severe to a young charge who had become addicted to nights on the tiles to the extent that her peformance on the track or in the field was threatened. At another she might well have to produce a large handkerchief to stem floods of tears — the result perhaps of homesickness or a broken heart.

It is perhaps ironic that Marea Hartman should have died just as the first British female athlete had been accused of being found positive in a drugs test. She came from and represented a different age of athletics, when doping was less prevalent. Although not slow to confront the new problems of sport, she was clearly unsettled when they occurred. However, she always met such difficulties with the good humour and determination for which she was known throughout sport.

As an administrator, she worked assiduously, being secretary of the Women's Amateur Athletic Association (WAAA) for 43 years. She gave personal and consistent reassurance to most of the celebrated female athletes in this period. They particularly included Mary Rand, Ann Packer, Mary Peters, Dorothy Hyman and Lillian Board.

Behind their successes lay the support of Marea Hartman; besides being British team manager at Olympic Games, European Championships and Commonwealth Games for 22 years she was head of the delegation of the English women's athletics team from 1976 to 1990.

Glenys Marea Hartman was born in south London to parents who were in the hotel trade. Her father was head of banqueting at the Savoy and her mother had a similar senior post at the Waldorf.

She once described her initiation to athletics thus: "I was running round the local track to get fit — well only to be with the boys, if I'm honest — when Teddy Knowles [founder of the Spartan Athletic Club] asked me to join." Very soon she was drinking (orange juice) with the young men in the clubhouse and competing both for the club and the county of Surrey for which she won a gold medal. She attended the international meeting against Germany in Cologne in 1939, only six days before the Second World War was declared. It gave her particular pleasure therefore to be present at the first postwar meeting in Cologne.

After the war the Spartan club asked her to become its treasurer and her career in administration was launched. At that time only the short sprint events and a handful of field events were recognised as being suitable for women by the IOC. "There was this tremendous fear that women would drop dead if they were asked to do anything more strenuous", she recalled. She pressed for events like the 400 metres hurdles, 3,000 metres, 4 x 400 metres and marathon to be added to the women's programme. Perhaps her most satisfying year was the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo when Ann Packer won an 800 metres gold medal and Mary Rand took gold in the long jump, silver in the pentathlon and bronze in the 4 x 100 metres relay.

She was also one of the great unsung public relations pioneers. Realising that women had a fundamentally far greater visual appeal than men, she forged some early, canny deals for her girls with companies such as Bovril, Birdseye, Kraft and Sunsilk. As she was later to say: "The WAAA was always able to get sponsors because all the girls were so pretty. You could put all the athletes I've dealt with in a beauty parade".

Besides fighting for the rights of women to compete, and for their successes to be recognised, Marea Hartman also campaigned for the independence of women's organisations. She was a member of the women's committee of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) from 1958 and its chairman for 13 years.

In the last 18 years, her place in British women's athletics became less dominant, as younger women took over some of her roles. They represented a fresh approach, although several owed their positions to her support. She remained keenly interested in athletics, attending meetings even this summer when her cancer became more severe. Even as late as last week she was enthusiastically talking about the Commonwealth Games as they took place in Victoria, Canada.

Dame Marea's sporting interests were not confined to athletics. She was deputy chairman of the Central Council of Physical Recreation (CCPR), which represents the national governing bodies, until 1985 and more recently was its treasurer. Her ebullient personality and, unusually for an administrator, her understanding of what would bring publicity to her sport, made her a powerful figure.

Marea Hartman was appointed MBE for her services to women's athletics in 1967 and advanced to CBE in 1978. Her status as the Grand Old Lady of British athletics was finally given full acknowledgement in the New Year's Honours this year, when she was created DBE. But her influence was not merely national. She extended the frontiers of women's athletics for all nations. Her contribution to the development of athletics for Japanese women, in particular, was acknowledged recently with the Prince Chichibu award.

Marea Hartman's fiancé was killed in the war, and she never married.

ERNEST ROBERTS

Ernest Roberts, Labour MP for Hackney North and Stoke Newington from 1979 to 1987, died on August 28 aged 82. He was born on April 20, 1912.



BEGINNING his political life at the age of 12 when he campaigned for the Labour candidate in Shrewsbury, Ernie Roberts spent most of the rest of it as the archetypal left winger. The Communist Party expelled him for extremism — he encouraged too many strikes — and for more than twenty years the Labour leadership prevented him from becoming an MP.

Eventually, with the party's left gaining power in the organisation, he was elected for Hackney North and Stoke Newington. He became a strong supporter of the reselection of MPs. But when the time came for him to be reselected he was de-selected in favour of another left winger, Diane Abbott.

In the House he was more prominent at fringe meetings than in the Chamber. He was in favour of workers' control, political status for IRA prisoners and Eric Heffer as Labour Party leader. He was against cuts in strikers' benefits, the expulsion of Militant Tendency Trotskyists and the Falklands War.

He was born in Shrewsbury, the eldest of 11 children of a Welsh miner. His childhood was Spartan. He left his Shrewsbury primary school at 13, determined even then to change the conditions of the working class. He became an engineer in the Coventry area, a member of Coventry City Council and a growing force inside the engineers' union. In 1957 he was appointed an assistant general secretary of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers (AUEW).

But before then he had been the object of a concerted effort by the Labour leadership to prevent him becoming an MP. He managed to break through the right-wing cordon to fight Stockport South in 1955 but it was not until 1979 that he succeeded David Weitzman in the cast iron Labour seat at Hackney North. In between he had been an early supporter of the campaign for nuclear disarmament and helped to form the Anti Nazi League.

When he got into the House at last he was 67, the oldest new entrant since the war. His activities at protest meetings inside the Palace of Westminster appeared to justify the right's doubts, although they pleased his party's newly triumphant left. He led demonstrations against President Reagan's visit to London and joined the Campaign Group and the Tribune Group. He was one of the MPs who nominated Tony Benn in his unsuccessful fight to become deputy leader of the Labour Party in 1981.

None of this displeased his constituency party, however, and when there was redistribution he defeated Stanley Clinton-Davis, now Lord Clinton-Davis, who had been a popular government minister and the MP for Hackney Central. Roberts, to the dismay of the shadow Cabinet, became the new MP at Hackney North. Immediately after the 1983 election he was elected chairman of the parliamentary Labour Party's Health and Social Security Committee. His activities continued on the far left. He was one of the Labour MPs who met Sinn Fein's Gerry Adams at a meeting inside the Commons and he stood as a candidate for the management committee of the Communist newspaper *Morning Star*.

Then, in 1985, a selection conference called as a result of one of the constitutional changes which he had championed, rejected him and chose Diane Abbott in his place. They were both on Labour's left but she was younger, he would have been 75 at the next election, she appeared sharper and she was black in a constituency where black voters amounted to almost 30 per cent. By 42 votes to 35 on the second ballot the selection conference chose Diane Abbott, who duly became the first black woman MP.

Roberts's first marriage was dissolved and in 1953 he married Joyce Longley. He had a daughter by each marriage.

JOHN BONICA

John Bonica, anaesthesiologist, died of a cerebral haemorrhage in Rochester, Minnesota, on August 15 aged 77. He was born in Italy, on February 16, 1917.

JOHN BONICA pioneered the use of epidural anaesthesia in childbirth.

Pain was no stranger to him. As a young man, in order to finance his medical education, he worked as a professional wrestler in carnival sideshows. The resulting injuries left him with bouts of the same excruciating pain that he had devoted his life to understanding and controlling in others.

Born on Filicudi, one of the Aeolian Islands, he was taken to New York by his parents at the age of 10. Four years later when his father died he found himself the sole supporter of his family. He shone shoes, hawked newspapers, and sold fruit and vegetables on the street, but nonetheless managed to complete high school and go on to university.

Bonica graduated from medical school in 1942 and was promptly inducted into the United States Army after completing his residency at a New York hospital.

He spent the war years trying to find new ways of alleviating the pain of wounded servicemen, becoming chief of anaesthesiology at Madigan Army Hospital at the age of 27.

It was then that a personal crisis launched him on a crusade that was to benefit millions of women. His wife Emma, in labour with their first child, almost died from complications of ether anaesthesia.

Bonica, who had already been advocating a technique of regional blocks as a novel form of pain control, devised a system of continuous epidural analgesia that would affect the nerves leading to the chest and lower half of the body. Labour pains could thus be controlled without the woman losing consciousness, and the technique was to become a practice in many hospitals throughout the world.

In 1953, while working at Tacoma General Hospital in Washington State, Bonica published a two-volume work *The Management of Pain* which was translated into six languages. He re-wrote it in 1990, and it remains the standard work on the subject.

A prolific author, he also published *Principles and Practice of Obstetric and Analgesic Anaesthesia* in 1967, completing an update of the work only weeks before his death.

For 18 years, John Bonica headed the Multidisciplinary Pain Centre at the University of Washington, which he had founded in 1960.

He retired to promote advanced treatments of acute and chronic pain worldwide, as founder and president of the International Association for the Study of Pain, which now has 6,000 members in 80 countries, and received numerous international awards for his work.

Widowed last year after 52 years of marriage, John Bonica is survived by three daughters.

VYVIENNE MOYNIHAN

Vyvienne Moynihan, stage director, company manager, pioneer of commercial television and advertising executive, died on August 19 aged 74. She was born on January 19, 1920.



VYVIENNE MOYNIHAN had a complex career starting in live theatre and progressing to the advertising world, via the pop scene, commercial television and public service. Most of her life was spent in her home in Maida Vale, where she died, and which had been at one time both a salon and, in some cases, a lodging for friends in the entertainment industry and in the visual arts.

She began conventionally just after the war, by responding to an advertisement in the *Evening Standard* for an assistant stage manager at the Q Theatre, where she served her apprenticeship with Jack de Leon. She went on to become assistant stage manager, stage director and company manager for a number of West End successes including *And So To Bed*. Few theatrical biographies or histories of the theatre from 1950 to 1955 fail to feature her name in their index. She was a friend and confidante to many of the leading players of the day.

With the birth of commercial television, Associated Rediffusion found her experience ideal for the role of casting director. She went on to become manager of drama and worked in features and light entertainment. One of her long-running programmes was *Ready, Steady, Go*. She also worked with Norman Marshall, and was involved with early programmes such as *Murder Bag*, *Three Live Wires* and an outstanding production of *Edwin Drood*.

These were pioneer days in television and Associated Rediffusion management was heavily weighted with recruits from the Royal Navy. It was rumoured that trainees were brought up in the convention of saluting the quarter deck. Vyvienne Moynihan, a petite but substantial figure even then, steered a course through the conflicting currents and squalls of a new creative institution, as stately as a galleon.

She was wooed away by Brian Epstein in 1965 to become his director of presentations, co-ordinating all the Beatles television and stage appearances, and also those of his other pop stars who included Cilla Black and Gerry and the Pacemakers. She was closely associated with his shows at the Saville Theatre.

On Epstein's death (which affected her deeply) in 1967, she struck out on her own and for two years worked in the Soviet Union, producing four documentary films on day-to-day life to mark the 50th anniversary of the October Revolution. However, these failed to achieve a national screening. They languish still — and would probably make a fascinating historical retrospective — in a vault somewhere.

Despite the success of this project, Vyvienne Moynihan was a diffident woman, not fond of pushing herself forward. It was somehow logical, therefore, that she should again respond to a newspaper advertisement, and joined the Central Office of Information in 1969. She became responsible for the cost control of all government audio and video activities, including the production of film documentaries and television commercials. She was an unlikely bureaucrat, but established herself uniquely as an interpreter between officialdom and the creative media.

In 1979 Barry Day persuaded her to join McCann Erickson, the advertising agency, and she became responsible for all elements of cost control for the agency's film, television and video commercials. Perhaps her most endearing involvement at that time was with the Esso tiger, of which she personally took charge with her colleague, Dennis Page, and by which she became almost, but not entirely, converted from her obsessive devotion to the domestic cat.

In 1984 she formed her own consultancy, providing a comprehensive service of cost control over the whole gamut of production activities. She continually said: "Not cost cutting, but cost effective." This consultancy was immensely successful — with clients like Guinness and BT — and thrived until she was stricken by serious illness last year.

Despite her extraordinarily varied career, Vyvienne Moynihan once claimed to have no particular talent herself, other than the ability to identify and nurture talent in others. She never married, but she was the most gregarious of creatures and well-known in the profession. In a large family house, she accommodated several generations of young aspirants. For example, one of her protégés was Tom Holt, formerly a tyro lawyer and later a successful fantasy novelist.

Shy but not reticent, Vyvienne Moynihan was an admirable hostess who offered à la carte menus not only to her guests but to her cats, who also shared with them the pudding. Members of at least half a dozen professions will miss her, and regret her final lingering, unhappy illness.

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AMERICA'S VICTORY

ANOTHER LESSON IN PUTTING

(FROM BERNARD DARWIN.)

NEW YORK, AUG. 29.

The Americans won five out of the eight singles matches on the National Links to-day, and so won the whole match by eight points to four. Writing as the acting captain in the field, owing to the illness of Mr. Harris, I am thoroughly proud of the British side. They did all that anybody could expect of them, anybody, that is to say, who knows how very good these American amateurs are. There is no mistake about it that they are truly magnificent golfers. Up to the green they are fully as good as our men; I do not think that they drive any better, but their pitching is surer. When it comes to the green there is only one side in it. Our men did not putt badly, judged by British standards, but we do not begin to know what good putting is. These Americans really can putt; they stand still and they hit the ball truly, and they do the same apparently simple, but to us intensely difficult thing, over and over again. I played far better than I ever hoped to, and just got the better of Mr. Fownes. Mr. Hooman played absolutely first-class golf to beat Mr. Sweetser, who has all the makings of a truly great golfer. They halved their match and the defined terms were that a halved match should be a halved match, but the two, full of fight and still wanting to fly at one another's throats, decided to put it to the test, and to win or lose. Personally, I think it was a pity that two such heroes should not have rested in peace.

Mr. Sweetser was badly bunkered at the 37th hole, and Mr. Hooman won a gallant victory. The match between Mr. Bobby Jones and Mr. Wethered, was a great one. Mr. Jones was at his brilliant best, but he could not shake off his adversary; on and on they went; "Birdies," to use this now familiar Americanism, were frequent, there were in fact whole aviaries of them. It was superb golf, in which Mr. Jones had always just the inside turn, which is his due as the finest amateur player of golfing strokes in the world.

We played well but the other men played better. There is a difference of outlook, which means a difference of class. Personally when, very rarely, I keep close to the par score I expect the other man to break up. Not so with the American golfer; he takes the par score in his stride; it is the "birdies," the holes done in under par, that he thinks about. In short, the British amateur must aim higher when he comes up against such golfers as these.

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How to save yourself the commission

Computer matching agencies are an inexpensive way to sell or buy a home

ANNE DELL and Beryl Perez live at opposite ends of Britain, but they have one thing in common: they are selling their properties through a company based in West Sussex.

Mrs Dell sold her property near Cardigan, Dyfed, to a couple who live in Northampton via a computer matching agency, Link Up Properties Nationwide. Mrs Perez's north London house is being snapped up by London buyers who were introduced by the same company.

Both women stand to make substantial savings on estate agency fees; in Mrs Perez's case, sole agency fees of 2 per cent would have set her back about £3,000 plus VAT.

Instead, they both paid a flat fee of £75 on the understanding that if they agreed a sale within eight weeks of signing with Link Up, they would pay a further £500 for properties worth more than £100,000 and £250 for properties worth less.

Link Up, of Haywards Heath, advertises each property in national Sunday newspapers but also computer-matches them with potential buyers on their lists. They send a selection of properties to vendors and act as go-between when offers are made. Mrs Dell was impressed with the service she received in finding a buyer for her £150,000 five-bedroom farmhouse and holiday cottage set in four acres opening on to a coastal beach near Llangranog.

> 'Our business is almost the same concept as Dateline'

"They put us in touch with these people very, very quickly and have kept in touch, sorting out any problems," she says. "Our buyers live in Northampton and saw the advert in *The Sunday Times* and also received details through the post because they were on Link Up's list. They have been down here three times since May and we're just getting to the contract stage."

Mrs Perez, a widow, had a similar experience, receiving an offer within three weeks of her house being advertised in a Sunday paper.

Whether these women would have succeeded advertising their properties privately is a moot point. Mrs Perez felt more secure using Link Up and believed it protected her from timewasters. "The company doesn't sell your property for you; you have to contact the potential buyer after you've been given their details. They play the intermediary, so if someone was not serious they would be sorted out."

Estate agents might argue that sales can be lost if they are not handled by an expert. But Mrs Perez feels she got a good deal.

Two other computer-matching agencies charge even less for six months' service. The Property Sales Register, based in Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, costs from £64 for a £60,000 property to £98 for one valued at £350,000. National Selections, of Ealing, west London, charges a flat fee of £75 plus VAT. Although both companies advertise themselves nationally, they do not advertise individual properties for sale except on their own mailing lists.

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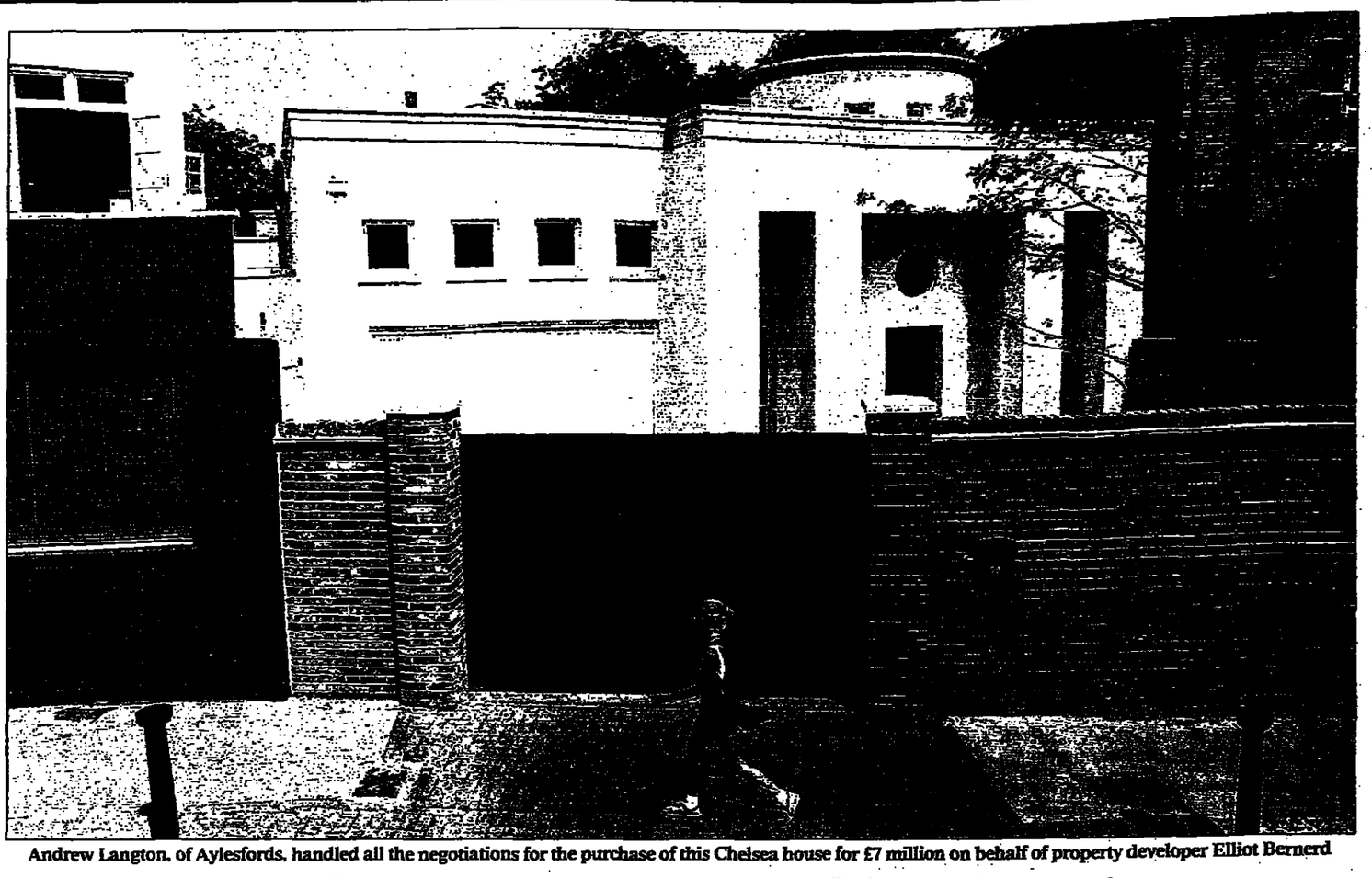
Paul Brooks, manager of National Selections, says: "The promotion of properties via our service is almost the same in concept as Dateline, where two interested parties with common interests are brought together. National Selections merely acts as the introducers, therefore, by definition, we do not make any claims to guarantee a sale, but every effort is made to ensure the introduction takes place.

"One chap had been trying to sell his cottage in the Cotswolds for six months without success, and he had 14 inquiries within two weeks of registering with us. Unfortunately, just like Dateline, we just don't find out if a match is concluded or not."

ANTHONY Muir-Clark, managing director of the Property Sales Register, says the method is used extensively in America. "Most people seem to believe that the only way you can sell a house is through an estate agent," he says. "When someone sells a house, perhaps at a very narrow profit, they are faced with an extremely high bill for what might be a small amount of work."

Julian King, who was just 20 when he helped to set up Link Up two years ago after working as an estate agent, is also unable to give a success rate. "We have 2,000 people on our list but only make any money if we're successful within eight weeks," he says. "We specialise in people relocating some distance from their existing property."

CHRISTINE WEBB



Andrew Langton, of Aylesfords, handled all the negotiations for the purchase of this Chelsea house for £7 million on behalf of property developer Elliot Bernerd

Stress-free way to find a home

More people are following the example of wealthy buyers who hire agents to buy their property for them. **Rachel Kelly** reports

A £7 million house was sold last month in Chelsea before the brochure had even been printed. The man who bought the property was Elliot Bernerd, the property developer. The man who acted on his behalf, steering negotiations to a happy conclusion, was Andrew Langton.

To the estate agency world, Mr Langton is famous as a partner in Aylesfords, the London agents. Agents, as we know, act for sellers. Why then was Mr Langton acting for a buyer?

In fact, most of the partners and principal directors of the top London agents have acted on occasion for buyers. They operate an informal network, tipping each other if there is a buyer in town who is after a particular type of property.

There is no conflict of interest, they say, because agents never act for a purchaser on a property they are selling. Dominic Grace, head of Savills' Knightsbridge office, says: "In any situations where conflict of interest may arise we recommend that the purchaser uses another agent."

Such "buying" or "relocation" agents, as they are known, split into two types. The first act merely as seekers. Once they have found their ideal property they pass the job back to the purchasers. The second are full buying agents, who find the properties and who act for the buyer throughout the buying process. They work both from estate agencies and separate companies who do nothing but buy.

Such firms have long been popular with wealthy and famous people who seek anonymity. But buying agents have seen their business increase. Mr Grace says the increase has been most obvious from foreign buyers, as London and the Home Counties increasingly become a Mecca for foreign capital thanks to low property prices and advantageous exchange rates.

However, domestic buyers are using agents too, as the supply of attractive family houses and flats shrinks and competition for them hots up. Through their contacts with agents and in the property world, they may know before the man in the street when a house is coming up for sale. One firm, Property Vision, claims that 53 per cent of the country houses it bought in the past year were purchased before the homes were advertised on the market.

Property Vision, the first of the breed of specialist firms, was set up just over ten years ago by Charles Ellingworth and William Gething. Buyers come to them first to search for a house, Property Vision says.

Thereafter, they appreciate the firm's negotiating skills and their lists of pros and cons, which may reveal hitherto unsuspected problems of shortlisted homes. This is particularly useful as information in brochures becomes thinner as agents become nervous of the Property Misdescriptions Act.

Fees are a tricky subject. Estate agents earn their commission on the sale price, so the greater the sale price for the seller, the greater their commission. Both client and agent stand to benefit.

But most buyers' agents earn their commission on the buying price: in theory, the lower the price, the lower their commission, and there lies the potential conflict of interest, which Mr Langton admits is a problem.

His answer is that the right individual will act honourably and do a good job, forgetting his own interest and making the best interest of the buyer his only concern. "I personally get huge pleasure in getting the price down to an acceptable level for my client," he says.

Buying agents must also be prepared to confront the ultimate test of their integrity: to walk away from a deal altogether, risking lost commission, if they believe a house is too expensive or in the wrong place.

Special caution is needed when considering buying homes which have not yet been officially advertised on the market.

Buying agents say that owners sometimes increase the price to unrealistic levels because they are so excited at the prospect that someone might be interested in buying their home. Property Vision's advice is to wait until the owner puts the property on the open market.

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Fair deals around the fairways

Mary Wilson reports on the swing towards building housing developments overlooking golf courses

Golf is one of the largest growing sports, say the pundits. In Britain 335 golf "facilities" were opened between 1989 and 1994, bringing the number of courses to 2,368, or an average of one to 15,000 people.

The sport is also increasing abroad, where housing developments around the fairways come hand in hand with the new courses. Developers of the sites argue that without the houses new courses would not be viable. Costs of building houses are redeemed far faster than those of a golf course.

"It costs from about £500,000 to £5 million to build a golf course," says Robin Pryor, of Strutt & Parker. A well-sited course should see a return of 20 per cent, but the first return will take at least five years. One way to reduce this time is to sell land around the course to property developers. For purchasers of properties around the course there are advantages. Houses near or on golf courses have a guaranteed green view, and golf fanatics will be given preferential treatment. Their houses will also be easier to rent out.

In England it is difficult to obtain planning permission to build homes around golf courses. Collingtree in Northampton is an exception, with one of the largest housing developments. Bovis, Lovell, Prowting and Persimmon have all built large detached houses overlooking the fairways and all are happy with the way sales have gone.

Strutt & Parker has just sold development land to Admiral Homes for a new course at Shellwood, Surrey, which has yet to be built. Planning permission was granted because the 322-acre site is around a disused factory.



Pont Royal, Provence: it is far easier to let houses which have a golf course attached

On the Continent and America, the story is different: golfing developments are spreading quickly. At Pinheiros Altos, a development in the Algarve, the golf course which was completed at the end of 1992 made all the difference to sales. On the Costa del Sol there are 31 golf courses between Gibraltar and Malaga and 35 more under construction, according to Peter Scott, of Ocean Estates Marbella, who sells property on the Costa. "People moving here permanently are much more insistent on golfing properties," he says. "They guarantee you rental income."

At Sotogrande, a 4,000-acre estate near Gibraltar, there are three courses: Valderrama, one of the most elite clubs — where the 1997 Ryder Cup will be held — the more accessible Sotogrande course, and a nine-hole course, La Canada. "Golf is the fastest growing sport in Spain," says John Hopkins of Sotogrande. "Germans are becoming very keen and 50 per cent of our sales to Germans are to people who come to play golf."

The Ryder Cup has been a big influence over Sotogrande's sales. "We intend to build two more 18 and two more nine-hole courses by 1996," says Candida Taylor, the marketing director. "We also want to build a golf academy." Mrs Taylor reckons that 35 per cent of Sotogrande owners play golf regularly.

Sir Ian MacLaurin, chairman of Tesco, plays golf at both Valderrama and Sotogrande clubs. "Three years ago," he says, "I bought a plot of land overlooking Valderrama golf course and built a house. All the family plays golf and we go there at least five times a year."

The new three-bedroom villas at Sotogrande cost around £130,000 with membership to the Sotogrande golf club thrown in. To join Valderrama costs £30,000 plus £10,000 membership fee. Knight Frank & Rutley (071-629 8171) are selling the properties.

In France, golf is a relatively new sport but it is rapidly catching on. There are around 500 courses already with large concentrations around Le Touquet, Nice and Monte Carlo. In Provence, where Pont Royal, a 450-acre development, is taking shape, the 18-hole golf course designed by Seve Ballesteros was the first element to be built. Since its completion in 1992, its developer, London & Metropolitan (071-702 0033), has found it easier to sell the properties. The joining fee of £11,000 is included in the price of the properties, which range from £69,000 to £235,000.

Patricia and Gordon Eaton, of Exeter, Devon, bought a two-bedroom town house at Pont Royal a year ago. "The golf course was a big influence on our decision to buy at Pont Royal," says Mrs Eaton. "We had known the area for years and would not have bought a property if there had not been a golf course close by. When we are there, my husband plays every other day."

In America, it is said a course a day is opening. Certainly in Florida the sport is flourishing. Judy Thompson, director of Florida's National Golf Association says: "Florida is the number one destination for golf in the USA. At the end of 1993 there were 1,079 courses. Thirty-seven were opened that year, the most in one year, and 25 more are under construction." Research shows that there are over one million resident golfers in Florida, and 24,500,000 in the States, as well as many visiting players.

At Dove Point, in North Naples on the west coast of Florida, two and three-bedroom homes overlooking the golf course cost from £72,500. Owners have access to a championship golf course, tennis courts and the beach ten minutes away. At Calusa Lakes near Sarasota, large wooded plots for custom-built homes can be bought from £106,000. Home owners are entitled to membership of the golf course, which costs about £650. (The Florida dream, 0248 670559.)

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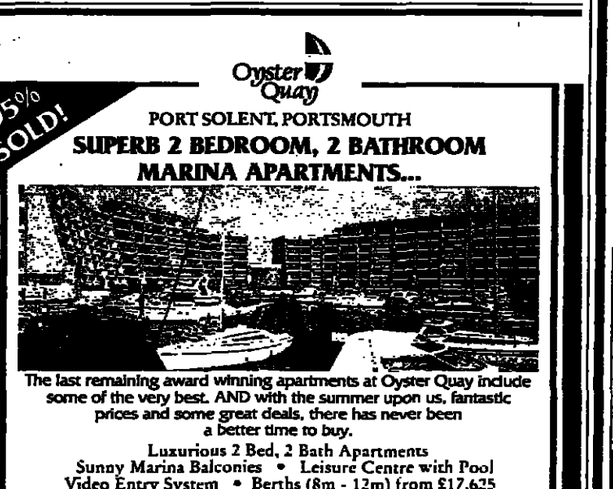
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Brenda Maddox begins a new weekly column with a hard look at the television industry, revealed in all its confusion at the Edinburgh Festival last weekend



How unfair to herald it, as some pundits did, as the annual navel-gazing or a triumphalist meeting of moguls. The Edinburgh television festival last weekend was a gathering of a jittery industry which does not know even where its navel is, let alone its head or its heart.

Can British television even be called an industry any longer, when 60 per cent of its practitioners are now freelance? When even those at the top cannot decide what is a good programme? And when those who want to *get in can find nobody to tell them* where to find the door?

One ritual of the so-called "festival" is the appearance of a media mogul from overseas to tell the provincial Brits where their future lies. But Barry Diller of the American cable shopping network, QVC, let them down. A small neat man with a wide smile and a jutting chin, he began 20 minutes late and *finished 20 minutes early, to say that* while the Americans would provide the global model for the convergence of media nobody had the slightest idea of where convergence was heading. The only certain thing, he said, was that any decision taken now would have unintended consequences.

"Unintended consequences" was a phrase also used by David Mellor, QC, MP. Appearing without fee before the industry which loves him, he took the credit for introducing quality demands into the otherwise blatantly commercialising Broadcasting Act of 1990. The Act, he acknowledged, is flawed. But he would not change much about it.

What has surprised Mr Mellor, however, is that the formula drawn up to protect Channel 4 has resulted in Channel 4 subsidising the ITV companies rather than vice versa. Accordingly, he supported Michael Grade's impassioned crusade to relieve Channel 4 of any financial obligations to the larger, more popular network.

Mr Grade should take care. He may become too quotable for his own good. To walk off with the lion's share of the festival's headlines on the same weekend that he was all over BBC2 with his uncle, Lord Grade, could jeopardise the hard battles that he is fighting.

Unfortunately Greg Dyke, this year's MacTaggart lecturer, was not quotable enough and did not make the kind of headlines the platform traditionally provides.

Mr Dyke, who left LWT at the time of the merger with Granada, warned ITV against a "dependence culture": wanting so many favours from government that its hard-hitting journalism would suffer. Yet in the next breath he congratulated the BBC. If the price of freedom was postponing a couple of politically embarrassing programmes, he said, "it was worth the price". But the real jitters in the industry — in the BBC as well as in ITV — lie in their dependence on popularity with viewers. How hard should they try? The session, "So what was wrong with *Hollywood Women*?" debated whether or not the Independent Television Commission was right to cite Carlton Television's tales from the casting couch as an example of glibness.

In the heated debate, you had to take your pick: whether you agreed that the new-look ITV was showing more single documentaries on a wider range of subjects than ever before, or that ITV's documentary agenda had narrowed to *sex, crime, violence and "very strong human interest"*.

Even the news editors are not sure how hard they should work at audience-grabbing. What to put first is their perpetual nightmare: a child murder somewhere in Britain or a globally significant event? In a revealing competition among three editors, Mark Damazer of the BBC put the murder last on his list (of six possible items). John O'Loan of Sky News placed it fourth, while Robin Elias of ITN's *News at Ten* placed it top of the bill.

The most unsettling question of the weekend came in a poorly attended session called "Can't Get the Staff". Put by Roger Bolton (ex-BBC, ex-Thames, now of Roger Bolton Productions), it was: "Who will train tomorrow's freelances?" With two-thirds of the industry *now self-employed, the old career* ladders and many of the classic training schemes are gone. Mr Bolton called for an industry-wide scheme of mandatory contributions and training vouchers. Otherwise, he said, we are "an industry living on borrowed time".

How funny. One of Mr Mellor's proudest boasts is that his Broadcasting Act compels the BBC and ITV to take 25 per cent of their production from independents. Has the result of that fine-sounding reform been to leave Britain with a television industry incapable of reproducing itself? An unintended consequence indeed.



Fair hearing? David Mellor acknowledged flaws in his Broadcasting Act

Discounting makes advertised brands vulnerable, says **Dr Stephan Buck**

Big names get bruised by price fighters

Over the past few months, a great deal of attention has been devoted to the price war between the major grocery chains and its effect on the cost of living.

Not since Tesco's Checkout campaign in the 1970s has a confrontation of this magnitude taken place. As with most wars, the genesis goes back much further and has to be understood before we can predict developments.

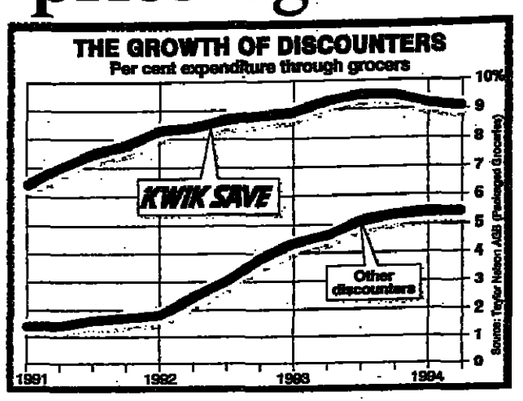
After the first great price war ended around 1990, the major supermarkets changed the basis of competition from price to quality, and particularly the quality of their own-label brands. Sainsbury led this strategy although by the mid-1980s its main competitors were moving in the same direction.

Since these were mainly boom years, consumers seemed happy to think of quality as much as price, and the leading supermarket chains steadily increased their dominance.

But the 1990s have been different, and one aspect of the economic decline is consumer concentration on the cost of the goods. This provided an opportunity for the discounters. *The chart shows the rapid* growth in the share of discounters between 1991 and 1994. The role of Kwik Save is significant. During the 1980s it was the only leading grocery store to maintain the cheap and cheerful discounter image. In the 1990s, this has led to a two-thirds increase in its market share, while new entrants have more than doubled the discounters' share as a whole.

This has left traditional supermarkets with a difficult problem. Between them the top five have more than 60 per cent of the market. But the gap is diminishing and another two or three years could put *the majors under severe pres*sure. Should they do nothing and hope the economic recovery restores the status quo of the 1980s? Or should they face the competition directly by offering lower-priced goods at the possible expense of the sales and reputation of their own-label products?

The result was the launch of product lines such as Tesco Value and Sainsbury Essentials, designed to come closer to the price of the budget brands which were the mainstay of the discounters' activities while still retaining the cachet of the retailers' brand names. The broad impact can be seen from the chart. The discounters' advances have *recently slowed*.



It is probably too early to assess whether the competitive benefits of the supermarkets' strategy outweigh the costs. Two things however are certain. These developments have brought down the price of groceries. A year ago, price differences between the brand leader and the equivalent own-label *alternative* were typically of the order of 10 to 20 per cent. Today, for some products, price differentials can be as much as 50 per cent.

Also, the manufacturers of premium brands are now under far greater and more complex competitive pressures than ever before.

The outcome of wars is usually quite different from the original expectations of the combatants. The impact of the *latest* price war on premium brands was almost certainly unplanned — but could be its most durable effect. The fall in retail prices is likely to diminish their share or force them to cut their price, while the pressure on store profit margins is bound to make negotiations with retailers even tougher. At the same time, some supermarket chains have launched own-label products in areas of manufacturer strength such as the detergent markets. Finally, television advertising, the mainstay of premium brand competitive power, is set to become more expensive as the economy recovers.

All of this explains why many premium brand manufacturers are reconsidering their marketing strategy, in some cases shifting to produce own-label or budget brands, in others testing new means of maintaining consumer loyalty. The old relatively simple form of competition where premium brands fought it out with own-label seems likely to have vanished forever.

Dr Stephan Buck is a director of Taylor Nelson AGB plc.

Soap for working women

EastEnders, BBC1's soap, is the outstanding feature of this week's ratings chart, which compares the viewing habits of housewives* and working women. It is the only programme watched in equal measure by both groups. *Alexandra Frean writes.*

This is shown by the TVR, which measures the percentage of viewers within each category who have watched the programme. Not surprisingly, significantly more housewives watch television. ITV's soap *Coronation Street* is watched by nearly 44 per cent of housewives and only 35 per cent of working women. The same pattern is repeated for all programmes except *EastEnders*.

** People who control the household budget and do not have a full-time job.*

Housewives Not Working

August 8 to 14, 1994

Programme	Chan	Audience Millions	TVR	H'wives not Working Millions	TVR	Working Millions	Women TVR
1 Coronation Street	ITV	16.77	31.6	7.24	43.7	2.15	35.1
2 The Bill	ITV	12.03	22.7	5.27	31.8	1.55	25.2
3 EastEnders	BBC1	12.58	23.7	5.02	30.3	1.88	30.6
4 Wycliffe	ITV	10.44	19.6	4.89	29.5	1.21	19.8
5 Emmerdale	ITV	9.85	18.5	4.81	29.0	1.23	20.1
6 Take Your Pick	ITV	9.36	17.6	4.29	25.8	0.84	13.7
7 Wheel Of Fortune	ITV	8.71	16.4	4.23	25.5	0.80	13.0
8 Burkes Law	ITV	8.74	16.4	4.18	25.2	0.93	15.1
9 Medics	ITV	8.94	16.8	4.15	25.0	1.14	18.7
10 Columbo	ITV	8.34	15.7	4.04	24.3	0.77	12.5

Working Women

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5 Wycliffe	ITV	10.44	19.6	4.89	29.5	1.21	19.8
6 Film:Ruthless People	ITV	9.60	18.1	3.73	22.5	1.19	19.5
7 Medics	ITV	8.94	16.8	4.15	25.0	1.14	18.7
8 Stephen King's IT	BBC1	7.84	14.4	2.44	14.7	1.02	16.7
9 Downwardly Mobile	ITV	7.51	14.1	3.35	20.2	1.00	16.3
10 News At Ten	ITV	8.16	15.4	3.27	19.7	0.99	16.2

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DESIGN STUDIES
Bournemouth: W223, W235
Brighton: E7W2
Buckinghamshire Coll: J450 (6)
Greenwich: EW72, EW7F, D259
Guildhall: W204
Heriot-Watt: J4NM (10)
Humberside: W235
London, UCL: RW32 (18)
Manchester Metro: EW72
Middlesex: W240, EW72
Nene Coll: H770
Teesside: V480, W230, W235, W2N5
West Surrey Coll: N1W2

DRAMA
Bishop Grosseteste: W400
Leeds, Bretton Hall: Q3W4
London, RH: W420 (24)
St Mary's: WFL1 (4), GW14 (4)
West London Inst: QW44, FW94, QW34, W4G5, W4W5, LW84, FW64, VW14, WX48, WW34, VW84, W4W1
Worcester Coll: Y100 (8)

DUTCH
London, UCL: T222, TR22, TV24

EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES/LANGUAGES
London, SSES: T118, T120, T190, TV11, T140, T130, T150, T160, T170, T180, R800, R810, RT11, RT31, RT81
Wolverhampton: Y600

ECONOMICS
Abertay Dundee: L101, L112, L160, L180
Anglia: N122
Brunel: L100 (18), L101 (18), LNC3 (18), LN13 (18), LN11 (18), LNC1 (18), L112 (18), L113 (18), LM1C (18), LMCD (18)
Buckingham: L100, L112, N4L1, ML11, M351, G5L1
Central England: Y400 (12), L100 (14), L1N4, L1T2, L1M1, L1M3, L1N1, L1N5, M1L1
Central Lancs: L100 (14)
City: G1L1 (12)
Coventry: GL51, LG11, LG14, L100
De Montfort: L100Y
Dundee: GL11 (12), GL51 (12)
East London: L100, L112, L110, L190
Essex: L100 (16)
Greenwich: L190
Guildhall: L100, Y400
Heriot-Watt: L100 (16), LN11 (18), K270
Hertfordshire: F5L1, N1L1, F1L1, G1L1, F3L1, G4L1, L100, T2L1, F6L1, L1F5, L1N1, L1F1, L1H6, L1T2, L1F6, L1B1, L1M3, L1H7, L1G1, L1F3, L1G4, H6L1, B1L1, H7L1
Holborn: L100
Huddersfield: L100
Kent: L100 (16)
Kingston: MR92 (10), MR94 (10), LG14 (4), FL81 (6), FL61 (6), GL11 (4)
Leeds Metro: L100
Leicester: L100 (18), L112 (18), L102 (18), L113 (18)
Liverpool, John Moores: LL18, LV11
London, Goldsmiths: M1L1
London, RH: LL13 (20) LL14 (20), LM11 (20), LM11 (20)
London, SOAS: L100 (20), LL18 (20), LM13 (24), L102 (18)
London, UCL: G1L1
Luton: L100, Y400
Manchester: L100 (20), L130 (20), L146 (20), L435 (20)
Manchester Metro: L101, GL11, GLC1, FL11, HLP1, GL51, LT12, LT19, HL71, FL21, JL41, L102, L103, LT12, LT19, FL21, L148, L149
Middlesex: L110, L100, L1R1, L1R4
Nene Coll: Y4L1
Newcastle: GL11 (16), GL41 (16)
North London: N124, Y400
Northumbria: L100, LN11 (12)
Nottingham Trent: Y400
Oxford Brookes: GL41, CL11, FL81, LN17, GL51, GL91, FL91, HL21, LT19, LR12, LV11, GLM1, LN1N, GL11, HL61, LW13, FLH1, FL31, LM11, LP15, LN15
Paisley: N124, N800
Portsmouth: LL18, L100
Reading: LN14 (20), L112 (20), L100 (20), L140 (20), LL13 (20), LR11 (18), LR12 (18), LR13 (18), LM11 (20), ML11 (20), F1L1 (10)
Salford: L112 (16), L100 (16), GL51 (12), LC17 (10), GL11 (12), FL11 (10)
Southampton: L1N3 (20)
Strathclyde: Y440
Sunderland: FL11, LF16
Surrey: L112, L100, L1CH, RL21
Teesside: N124
Thames Valley: NL11, L100, LR11, LR12, M310
UEA: G1L1 (12)
Ulster: L100 (16)
Wales, Aberystwyth: L100 (16), LN14 (16), LN15 (16), L130 (16)
Wales, Bangor: L100 (18), N1L1 (16)
Wales, Cardiff: LN14 (18), L112 (18), L1RC (18), L1RF (18), L1RH (18), L1RK (18), L100 (18), L1RT (18), L1R2 (18), L1R3 (18), LN11 (18), L1R4 (18)
York: G1L1 (12)
West of England: L100

EDUCATION (NOT TEACHER TRAINING)
Cheltenham & Gloucester Coll: V8X3
Greenwich: EW74, EW7K
Hertfordshire: E500
Kingston: EW23 (6), EW63 (6), EY21 (8), EY61 (8)
Manchester Metro: EN71, EW72
Middlesex: Y400
Northumbria: ER71
Portsmouth: F3X9, G1X9
Swansea Inst: EN71

EDUCATION (PRIMARY)
Anglia: E500
Bangor: W3E2, W3E4
Central England: E500
London, Goldsmiths: E2W2, E2V1, E2G1, E4W2, E4V1, E4G1,
North London: E500
Oxford Brookes: EG51, EC51
Readinh: E5L8
West London Inst: X500

EDUCATION (SECONDARY)
Anglia: EW71
Wales, Cardiff: E5W3 (12), E7Q5, E7W3
Central England: EW73
Greenwich: EW72, EW7F, EW7K
London, Goldsmiths: E7W2
London, Kings Coll: GX11 (8), FX31 (8)
Manchester Metro: E700
West London Inst: X7L8, X7LV, X7LW
West of England: E7N1, E7W2, E7G1, EW72
Wolverhampton: E700, E701

EDUCATION/ EDUCATION STUDIES
Brighton: E7X7, E7N1, E7W2
East London: X135, JX93
Glasgow: E111
London, UCL: E7X7, E7N1, E7W2, XG71, XF79
Nottingham, Trent: X920, E791, E7Y1, EW72, GN51
North London: Y300

EDUCATION (TEACHER TRAINING)
Cardiff Inst: X850 (12)
Liverpool, John Moores: E7N7, EX72

ENGLISH/ ENGLISH STUDIES
Anglia: Q300
Buckingham: Q3X9 (12), Q300 (8), QV31 (8), Y651 (8)
De Montfort: Q300
Edge Hill Coll: R1Q3 (10)
Gwent Coll: Y400
Huddersfield: QP33
Lancaster: Q300 (22)
Leeds, Bretton Hall: Q3W4, Q3P4
London, Goldsmiths: Q300, QW34
Luton: Q300
Manchester: RQ33 (12)
Middlesex: Q300, Y400
NE Wales Inst: Y300 (12)
Nottingham Trent: Y400
Reading: RQ13 (18)
Salford: Q300 (21), Q360 (21)
Scarborough, UC: F9Q3, W4Q3, W1Q3, W3Y3, V8Q3
South Bank: LQ33, LQ73
St Mary's: QF31 (4)
Strathclyde: Y440
Teesside: Q306
West London Inst: Q3W5, LQ83, FQ63, QV31, QX38, QW33, QV38, QX3V, QQ34, Q3N1, Q3G5, FQ93, QW34, Q3W1
Wales, Cardiff: Q306 (24), Q308 (24)
Westminster: T3Q3, QT36, QR31, QR32, QR33, QR38, QR34
Wolverhampton: Y600

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
Cardiff Inst: F910 (12)
Cheltenham and Gloucester Coll: F6X1, FXF9
Cranfield, Silsoe: N802 (12)
East London: F910, F900, F911
Gwent Coll: Y400
Humberside: D499R
Liverpool: C160 (18), F900 (14), F3F9 (8), P6F9 (12)
Middlesex: FNX1, Y400
Nescot: F918
NE Wales Inst: F910
North London: F900
Nottingham Trent: Y400
South Bank: FFX9, FL98
Stockton: L1F9, F900, F9H2
Suffolk Coll: CF19, F901, F9C1, GF59, C1F9
UMIST: H2N8 (16)
Wales, Aberystwyth: D205 (10)
West of England: F8F9, L800
West London Inst: LQ83, L8W5, L8N1, L8G5, LW84, FL68, LV81, LX88, LW83, LV88, LX8Y

The clearing system

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ESTATE MANAGEMENT
Heriot-Watt: K2N8
NE Wales Inst: N810 (6)
Plymouth: V800
South Bank: N800
Central England: N800
Ulster: N800 (16)

EUROPEAN STUDIES
Anglia: T200
Aston: G5T2 (20), H2T2 (16), H7T2 (16), H8T2 (22)
Bradford: T200, T202, H696, H690
Buckingham: L1T2
Central England: Y400 (12), L1T2, M1T2
Central Lancs: T200 (14)
Coventry: G5T2, H2T2, H2TF, H205
Derby: Y600
East London: T200, JT92
Edge Hill Coll: RT12 (10), T204 (10), MTY2 (10)
Glamorgan: N140, G564, HN61
Gwent Coll: Y400
Greenwich: Y1T2, FT12
Guildhall: N129
Heriot-Watt: NN34 (18)
Hertfordshire: T2N1, T2G5, T2L1, T2F9, T2F6, T2B1, T2M3, T2H7, T2G1, T2N2, T2F3, F6T2
Humberside: NR11 (10), NR12 (10), N1R2 (12), N1R7 (12), N1R2 (12), NR1C (10), NR1F (10), NR14 (10), NR11Y, NR12Y
Kent: R141 (18), R211 (18), R311 (18), T200 (18), T202 (18), T205 (18)
Leeds: T200 (20)
Liverpool, John Moores: T200, T2L8
London, QMW: RT1F (18), RT82 (18), RT8F (18), TT9G (18), TTYF (18)
London, RH: Y460 (20)
London, UCL: N1J9
Manchester: RT22 (20), RT32 (20), RT42 (20)
Manchester Metro: LT12, FT32, GTC2, FT12, GT52, LT12, TT29, TF23, JT42, LT32, LT82, TT29, LT32
Middlesex: Y400
Northumbria: T200
North London: T200
Nottingham, Trent: N1R2 (14)
Reading: T200 (20)
South Bank: T200
Stockton: TR21, (10), TR22 (8), TR24 (8)
Strathclyde: Y440
Sunderland: T200 (10)
Teesside: F1T9
Thames Valley: T200
Ulster: LL18 (14)
Wales, Aberystwyth: T200 (18)
Warwick: F1R1 (12)
Westminster: K4R1, K4R2
Wolverhampton: T200

FASHION
Cheltenham and Gloucester Coll: W225
Heriot-Watt: H770 (10), J4NM, J470
Nottingham, Trent: JW42 (12)
Southampton Inst: W225
UMIST: J4N1, J4N5, J4N9, J4ND, J4NY, J4T9, J4TX, J4W2, JJ49

FILM STUDIES
Middlesex: Y400
Napier: W265
Reading: RW14 (18), R3W5 (18)

FINANCE
Anglia: N124, N420, N4T1, 421N
Bournemouth: N300
Brighton: NT42, N420
Buckingham: N300 (12), NN43 (12)
Central England: N420 (10), Y400 (12)
Central Lancs: N399 (14)
Cheltenham and Gloucester Coll: N3G1
City: N800 (18), G1L1 (12)
East London: N420
Glamorgan: N420
Greenwich: N400
Guildhall: N399, Y400
Gwent Coll: NN34
Humberside: N420 (14), N399 (12)
Kingston: N420 (14)
Leeds Metro: N422
Liverpool, John Moores: N420
London, UCL: NT42
Luton: Y400
Manchester: N300 (24), N402 (20)
Middlesex: N300, N420
Napier: GN13, N420
Nene Coll: N420
Newcastle: N400 (18)
North London: N124, N420
Salford: NN34
Sheffield Hallam: N1R4, N300
South Bank: N420
Thames Valley: N420
Ulster: N300 (18)
Wales, Aberystwyth: N400 (20)
Wales, Bangor: N400 (18), N340 (18), N351 (18)
Wales, Cardiff: N300 (18), N3R1 (18), N3R2 (18), N3R3 (18), N3R4 (18)
West of England: N420, N300

FINE ARTS VALUATION
Southampton Inst: N812

FRENCH/ FRENCH STUDIES
Anglia: R100
Aston: R100 (18), RR12 (18), FR11 (18), GR51 (18), LR41 (22), GR11 (24), NR11 (22)
Birmingham: RR12 (22)
Bradford: RR12, RR18, RR14
Brighton: T900, NR11
Buckingham: N140
Buckinghamshire Coll: N1R1
Central England: H3R1
Coventry: RG14, RG11
East London: QR11, RY14, MR31
Edge Hill Coll: R1Q3 (10), RT12 (10)
Greenwich: NR51
Guildhall: Y400
Gwent Coll: Y400
Huddersfield: RP13
Kent: R101 (18), R141 (18), RR12 (18), RR13 (18), RV11 (18), VV17 (18)
Kingston: FR11 (4), FR81 (6), FR61 (6), GR11 (4), FR31 (4), CR11 (4)
Lancaster: R100 (18)
Leicester: R100, RR12, RM11
Liverpool: R100, RR12, N1R1
Liverpool, John Moores: LR61, NR52, MR31, QR31, RM13, VR11
London Kings Coll: F3R1
London, Goldsmiths: R100, RR12
London, QMW: H1R1 (12), H2R1 (10), H3R1 (10), GR11 (18), R100 (18), R1N1 (18), LR81 (18), RQ11 (18), RR18 (18), RRC8 (18), RT1F (18), TTYF (18)
London, RH: R100 (20), RN11 (20), RR12 (20)
London, SEES: RT11, RR18
Manchester: RR31 (12), RR3C (12), R110 (18), RR12 (18), RR13 (18), RR14 (18), RR15 (18), RR18 (18), RR1G (18), RR1H (18), RR1L (18), RR21 (20), RR8C (12), RR81 (12), RR2C (12)
Manchester Metro: RR12, RR14, N1R1
Middlesex: N1R1, L1R1, N1RC, Y400
Northumbria: RR12, RR14, RR18
North London: R100, Y300
Portsmouth: F6R1, RR12, F3R1, G1R1
Reading: R100 (18), R102 (18), LR11 (18), RQ13 (18), RW14 (18), RR12 (18), RV14 (18), RM11 (18), RR13 (18), QR11 (18), NR11 (18), MR11 (18), LR31 (18), RR31 (18)
Southampton: R100 (14)
Stockton: TR21 (10)
Sunderland: G5R1, FR11
Thames Valley: LR11, RRC2, RRC4
UMIST: F1R1, QR11, R110, GRD1, G5R1, F353, F3R1, P3RC, F3RD, H8R1
Wales, Bangor: R112 (14)
Wales, Cardiff: N3R1 (18), L1RC (18), L1R1 (18)
Wales, Lampeter: R101
West of England: RR12, RR14, RRCF, RRCK
Westminster: K4R1, N8K1, RT16, QR31, RR12, RR13, RR18, RR14, RQ11
Wolverhampton: M3R1

GEOGRAPHY
Anglia: L800
Bath Coll: Y400
Cheltenham & Gloucester Coll: V8L8
Coventry: GL18, GL48, LR82, LK84, LM81, RL18, F800
East London: K399
Edge Hill Coll: L800 (10), LT85 (10), LM8Y (10), XL88 (10)
Glasgow: FF68, GL58
Greenwich: L800, F800
Guildhall: F899, Y400, L800
Kingston: L800 (12), F800 (12), FF81 (6), FG85 (6), FL81 (6), FR81 (6) FF86 (6), FG81 (6), FL38 (6), FG84 (6), CF18 (6)
Lancaster: L800 (18)
Leicester: F800 (18)
Liverpool, John Moores: LL18, LLN8, LV81, LR82, T2L8
London, QMW: F800 (16), F830 (16), F840 (16), L800 (18), L820 (18), L822 (20), LR81 (18), LR88 (18), LRV8 (18)
London, RH: F800, FF68, L800
London, SOAS: LV86 (14) LL18 (20), L870 (20)
Manchester Metro: GL18, CL18, FL98, LT82
Middlesex: L800, F800, Y400
North London: L800
Portsmouth: LL18, F8R2, F800, F808, F8X9
Salford: L800, L802, GF18 (14)
South Bank: FL98
St Mary's: FC81 (4), FF81 (4), FQ88 (4), FQ85 (4), GF18 (4), FL83 (4)
Strathclyde: KL48, Y440
Wales, Lampeter: L800
West London Inst: LQ84, L8W1, FL68, LV81, LX88, LW83, LV88, LX8Y, L8N1, L8G5, L8W5, LQ83
West of England: F8F9, L800
Wolverhampton: F840
Worcester Coll: L800 (4)

GERMAN/ GERMAN STUDIES
Aston: R200 (18), RR12 (18), FR12 (18), GR52 (18), RC21 (18), MR1F (24), LR42 (22), NR12 (22)
Birmingham: RR12 (22), RN21 (22), RR23 (22), RR28 (20)
Bradford: RR12, RR28, RR24
Brighton: T900
Buckingham: Y220 (10)
Buckinghamshire Coll: N1R2
Central England: H3R2
Coventry: RG21, RG24, LR82
Dundee: F3R2 (8)
East London: RV21, RX23, LR12
Greenwich: NR52
Guildhall: Y400
Huddersfield: RP23
Kent: R200 (18), RR12 (18), R211 (18), RR23 (18), RV21 (18)
Kingston: MR92 (10)
Lancaster: R200 (16)
Leeds: R200 (20)
Leicester: RR12, R200, RR23, MR12
Liverpool: R200 (18), R2T2 (18), RR12 (18)
Liverpool, John Moores: LR32, NR52, RM23, QR32, LR62, MR32, N1R2
London, Goldsmiths: R200, RR12
London, QMW: H1R2 (12), H2R2 (10), H3R2 (12)
London, RH: R200 (18), RN21 (20), RR12 (20)
London, UCL: TR22 (18), R200 (8), RR23 (24), RR27 (12)
London, SEES: RR28
Manchester: VR72 (24), VM71 (16), RR32 (12), RR3G (12), RR1G (18), RR12 (18), R200 (20), RR21 (20), RR23 (20), RR24 (20), RR28 (20), RR2C (20), RR2H (20), RR2L (20), RR2W (20), RT22 (20), RR42 (22), RR4G (22)
Manchester Metro: RR12, RR24
Middlesex: Y400
Northumbria: RR12, RR24, RR28, RR42, RR82
North London: Y300
Nottingham Trent: N1R2 (14), Y400, M130
Oxford Brookes: GT49, CT19, FT89, NT79, FT19, GT59, GT99, LT19, FT99, HT29, RT29, TV91, GTM9, NTN9, GT19, HT69, TW93, KT49, MT19, FT59, GR42, CR12, FR82, NR72, FR12, GR52, GR92, LR12, FR92, HR22, RT29, RV21, GRM2, NRN2, HR62, RW23, KR42, MR12, PR52, NR52, FRH2, FR32
Portsmouth: F8R2, F6R2, R210, RR12, G1R2, F3R2
Reading: R200 (18), RR12 (18), LR12 (18), RR12 (18), RV24 (18), RM21 (18), RR23 (18), QR12 (18), NR12 (18), MR12 (18), LR32 (18)
Southampton: R200 (14)
Stockton: TR22 (8)
Sunderland: G5R2, FR62, RB21, FR12
Surrey: RL21
Thames Valley: LR12, RRC2
UMIST: F1R2, R202, QR12, GR52, GRD2, F354, F3HQ, F3R2, F3RF, F3RG, G5R2, C7R2, H8R2
Wales, Aberystwyth: R200 (18)
Wales, Bangor: R224 (14)
Wales, Cardiff: N3R2 (18), L1RF (18), L1R2 (18)
Wales, Lampeter: R200
West of England: RR12, RR24, RRCF, RRFK
Westminster: K4R2, N8K2, RT26, T3R2, QR32, RR12, RR23, RR28, RR24, RQ21

HEALTH SCIENCES/STUDIES
Central Lancs: B990 (12)
Leeds Metro: B999
Luton: Y400
Middlesex: Y400
South Bank: BL93, BL97, BN91
Wolverhampton: Y600

HEBREW
London, SOAS: Q960 (22)
London, UCL: Q960 (16)

HERITAGE STUDIES
Bishop Grosseteste: V100
Buckingham: V430 (8)

HISTORY
Anglia: V100
Bolton Inst: CV11
Buckingham: V130 (10), QV31 (8), Y651 (8)
Cheltenham & Gloucester Coll: V8V1
De Montfort: V100Y
Edge Hill Coll: V100 (10), TV51 (10), MVX1 (10), MVY1 (10), MV91 (10), XV81 (10)
Greenwich: QV21
Guildhall: V130, Y400
Gwent Coll: Y400
Huddersfield: V100
Humberside: Q202 (14)
Kent: VV13 (14), T205 (18), V100 (18), TV91 (18), QV81 (18), QV21 (18), VVDH (18), RV11 (18), RV21 (18), VV15 (18), RV31 (18), VV18 (18)
Liverpool, John Moores: LV11, LV81, T2V1, VR11
London, Goldsmiths: V100
London, SEES: V100, VV18, RV81
London, UCL: V149
Luton: V100, V199
Manchester: VR12 (20), VV16 (18)
Middlesex: Y400
NE Wales Inst: Y300
Northumbria: V199
Oxford Brookes: GV41, CV11, FV81, NV71, FV11, GV51, GV91, LV11, FV91, HV21, TV91, RV21, GVM1, NVN1, HV61, VW13, FVH1, FV31, KV41, MV11, PV51, NV51
Portsmouth: L100
Reading: V100 (20), VV16 (16)
Scarborough, UC: F9V1, W4V1, W1V1, W3Y3, V8V1
St Mary's: VF11 (4), GV11 (4)
Strathclyde: Y440
Teesside: V100
Ulster: V100 (16), V173 (16), V147 (16)
West London Inst: V1W1, QV41, FV91, NV11, V1G5, V1W5, VX18, VW13, VV18, VX1V, QV31, VW14, LV81
West of England: V100

HISTORY OF ART AND DESIGN
Birmingham: RV34 (22)
Brighton: V480
Buckingham: V430 (8)
Cardiff Inst: V400
Central Lancs: W299 (10)
De Montfort: V480Y
Derby: Y600, V400
Leeds Metro: V499
London Inst: W234, W299, V499
London, SOAS: V620 (14)
London, UCL: TV24 (18), RV34 (24), V480
Middlesex: Y400, V400
Northumbria: W250
Plymouth: W2V4
Reading: VV64 (16), RV14 (18), RV34 (18), RV24 (18)
Scarborough, UC: W1V4
Sheffield Hallam: V400
Southampton Inst: N812
Warwick: V400 (22)

HISTORY OF IDEAS
Middlesex: Y400

HOME ECONOMICS
Liverpool, John Moores: E7N7, N750
Sheffield Hallam: N750

HOTEL, CATERING
Anglia: N720, N721
Bournemouth: N720
Buckingham: N127 (12)
Cardiff Inst: N720 (10), N723 (10), N722 (10)
Cheltenham and Gloucester Coll: N7NR, N7T9
Manchester Metro: N723
Middlesex: N720
Napier: N700, 027N
Norwich, City Coll: N720 (14)
North London: N721, N720
Oxford Brookes: GN47, CN17, FN87, FN17, GN57, GN97, LN17, FN97, HN27, NT79, NR72, NV71, CNM7, NN7N, GN17, HN67, NW73, FNH7, FN37, KN47, MN17, MP75, NN57, N700
Plymouth: N720
Robert Gordon: N720
Salford, UC: N750
South Bank: N720, N750, N781
Thames Valley: N721
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NEWS

Reynolds predicts 'new beginning'

■ Albert Reynolds, the Irish Prime Minister, said Ireland was poised for peace as hopes soared in London, Dublin and Belfast that the IRA will call a halt to its bloody 25-year campaign in Northern Ireland and on the mainland today.
The British Government and Sinn Fein, the IRA's political wing, could be talking by the end of November if the expected IRA ceasefire is the pledge to end violence permanently that John Major has always demanded..... **Pages 1, 2, 3**

Tories to put pressure on Archer

■ Leading Conservatives are to urge Lord Archer of Weston-super-Mare to clear the air over his involvement in the Anglia Television share deals controversy. The best-selling novelist is to be told by senior party figures to end the confusion to prevent further damage being inflicted on himself and the party **Page 1**

University target

Universities and colleges are close to reaching the Government's target for increasing the number of young people in higher education..... **Page 4**

Invalidity fraud

A woman described by doctors as too crippled by arthritis to work kept a job for almost 17 years and claimed invalidity benefit **Page 5**

Baby snatcher

A teenager who abducted a six-day-old boy from a maternity ward after being told she would probably never have a child of her own was put on probation for two years..... **Page 5**

Token payout

An elderly woman who lost her sole asset, a London flat, to a fraudster and was wrongly imprisoned through a series of bungles by lawyers and officials, has been refused all but token compensation..... **Page 6**

At the helm

Geoff Jennings, the man who authorised seizure by the Royal Navy of a British fishing trawler in the Spanish tuna war, is unrepentant..... **Page 6**

Cuban compromise

The Clinton Administration will offer to increase the number of legal Cuban immigrants it accepts each year if Fidel Castro agrees to stop the mass exodus of Cuban boat people..... **Page 7**

Court martial

The Pentagon has recommended that four crew members of an airborne radar plane be court-martialled for their failure to prevent a "friendly fire" incident in the Gulf War that claimed 26 lives, including those of two British officers..... **Page 8**

Hope for hostages

Three Westerners taken hostage by the Khmer Rouge are still thought to be alive, although the deadline for ransom payments by their respective governments has expired..... **Page 8**

Peking trade deal

The United States has signed a $4.7 billion trade agreement with China, which has agreed to resume human rights discussions in late September..... **Page 8**

La difference

Edouard Balladur, firm favourite to win the French presidential race, sees a three-tier Europe developing, with Britain in secondary orbit..... **Page 9**

Terrorist trial

Two weeks after his capture to stand trial on terrorism charges, Carlos the Jackal has broken his silence to claim that he is a simple "family man"..... **Page 9**

Serbian plea

Andrei Kozyrev, the Russian Foreign Minister, yesterday called for greater Western flexibility towards Serbia..... **Page 9**

Beer expert's bitter end

■ Keith Osborne, the world's leading authority on beer bottle labels and author of *The Beer Drinkers' Guide to Labology*, has been jailed for 18 months for stealing unique examples from archives at the Public Record Office in Kew. The stolen items augmented his mammoth collection of 30,000 labels, worth an estimated £50,000..... **Page 5**

MICHAEL POWELL



Garry Kasparov, left, and Nigel Short launching the Intel World Chess Grand Prix in London yesterday Keene on Chess, page 6

BUSINESS

Defence: Lockheed and Martin Marietta yesterday announced one of the biggest defence mergers yet, a $10 billion deal bringing the makers of the Stealth fighter and Titan IV rocket under one roof.. **Page 21**

Roller-coaster: The French stock exchange stepped in four times yesterday to halt trading in Euro-Disney after wild gyrations in the share price..... **Page 21**

Markets: The FT-SE 100 Index fell 15.5 points to close at 3249.6. Sterling's trade-weighted index rose from 78.9 to 79.0 after a fall from $1.5420 to $1.5323 and a rise from DM2.4094 to DM2.4229. **Page 24**

SPORT

Athletics: Colin Jackson won the 110 metres hurdles in Berlin to ensure his share of a jackpot of 20 gold bars. His time of 13.02 sec was the fastest in the world this year..... **Page 36**

Football: England have recalled John Barnes for the match against the United States at Wembley next week. Robert Lee, of Newcastle, has also been included, but not his clubmate Andy Cole..... **Page 40**

Motor Racing: Michael Schumacher failed with his appeal against a two-race ban for ignoring a warning flag at the British Grand Prix in July..... **Page 40**

Tipplers, take heed: By New Year's Day next year, measure for measure will no longer mean what it did in Shakespeare's day.. **Page 10**

Disabled rage: "Perhaps everyone should have an interlude like this: six or nine months of slow-healing nerve damage. It gives you a taste of all sorts of responses available to really disabled people."..... **Page 11**

Jittery industry: "How unfair to herald it as annual navel-gazing or a triumphalist meeting of moguls." Brenda Maddox on the Edinburgh television festival..... **Page 18**

The other Stamp: "I found myself in the Australian desert, sporting tangerine fishnets, high heels, a satin leotard and aubergine wig, in front of a crowd of surly miners pretending to be film extras." Terence Stamp introduces his new, surprising film role!! **Page 31**

Poets with attitude: The public poetry contest is the new craze in Hispanic New York, and its rude, fast and funny contestants are coming to Britain..... **Page 32**

Park plans: Will a new initiative succeed in restoring tranquillity to London's fume-filled Royal Parks?..... **Page 33**

PEOPLE IN THE TIMES



Dan Quayle, buoyed by the success of his memoirs, has decided to run for President in the 1996 US elections, friends of the former Vice-President say **Page 7**



Four years after arriving in Britain without a word of English, Bulgarian teenager Anna Kotzev is heading for Cambridge **Page 6**



Gerald Kaufman, Labour MP for Manchester Gorton, is being challenged for reselection by a man at the centre of a fraud inquiry **Page 4**

THE TIMES TOMORROW

A legend of one's own

■ Despite revived interest in Dora Carrington and Lytton Strachey, Bloomsbury's real star was Virginia Woolf. Derwent May reviews a new biography

Wit lives by proxy

■ Geoff Brown reviews this week's big film: *The Hudsucker Proxy*, a classy harking-back to the days when movies were full of intelligent wit

A problem aired

■ Should pilots be subjected to mental as well as physical fitness tests? Europe's air safety chiefs are soon to decide

Three young women share a flat, a bathroom and a lack of self-confidence in Clare McIntyre's perceptive *Stages: Low Level Panic* (BBC2, 9.25pm)..... **Page 30**

Troubles ahead

If the republican movement is to give up violence, it must be doing so in the expectation of some reward..... **Page 13**

Backpacks and bandits

There is an argument for allowing in the crude new entrepreneurs from Eastern Europe, if only to show them that not all business has to be violent or corrupt..... **Page 13**

After the harvest

September is the time when we awaken to the fact that our lives circle with the seasons, responding less to matters metropolitan than to the rural rhythms of seedtime and harvest..... **Page 13**

LAWRENCE FREEDMAN

The concept of the near-abroad carries a risk of aggravating tendencies to parochialism, a presumption that international responsibilities need not extend much beyond the backyard, and unilateralism, an insistence that in one's own backyard one can act as one chooses..... **Page 12**

ALAN COREN

I took only the one A-level this summer, and I have just had the result..... **Page 12**

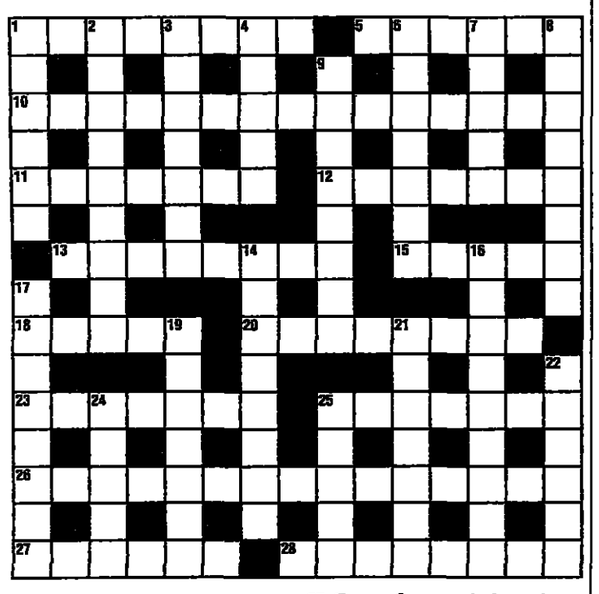
Dame Marea Hartman, manager of the British women's athletics team 1956-78; **Ernest Roberts**, former Labour MP; **John Bonica**, pioneer of epidural anaesthesia; **Vyvienne Moynihan**, stage director and TV executive..... **Page 15**

The threat to Brighton's *seafront*..... **Page 13**

As far as the world knows, the plutonium smuggled out of the former Soviet Union has not been sufficient — so far — to build a nuclear weapon. But the evidence that there's any trafficking at all in this sinister material is profoundly troubling

The Washington Post

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,635



ACROSS

1 The traveller's joy in unpredictable climates (8).
5 Chapter written on small animals is pretentious rubbish (6).
10 Proposes to photo pet with sequins? Outrageous! (4,3,8).
11 A roundabout journey to the course (7).
12 An entertaining imposter (7).
13 Abstract from a revolutionary book (8).
15 Tie for a supporter (5).
18 Take a cure, retiring to the mountains (5).
20 Limit rigidly enforced on soldiers (8).
23 Volunteer to make Scotch, perhaps (7).
25 Fruit bar in an inn (7).
26 Inflammable red mixture (7,8).

Solution to Puzzle No 19,634

S	I	D	E	S	A	D	D	L	E		I	D	E	S
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27 Gnome, for example, in garden – at the front (6).
28 Show approval of married lady's withdrawal from narcotic (8).

DOWN

1 Firm on strike for money (6).
2 Claim one rep makes, based on experience (9).
3 Stagger about with unlimited resources (7).
4 Slow interchange (5).
6 Can be seen to show acumen (7).
7 What an unfortunate jockey might have to disclose (5).
8 Artemis in topless costume by Pre-Raphaelite (8).
9 Disciplines subordinates (8).
14 Academic with the right accent gets hereditary title (8).
16 A French horse, strongly tipped to win on first-rate course, but erratic (9).
17 Age cuts success in games (8).
19 Bowled over and beaten (7).
21 Rated as second-class country? Buck up about it! (7).
22 Doctors blamed for confusion (6).
24 Make a comeback in competition (5).
25 A city's subtle and pervasive quality (5).

This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 15 per cent of the competitors at the 1994 Birmingham regional final of The Times Knockando Crossword Championship.

The last word of 13 across in Crossword No 19,634 should have read loathsome, not toothsome.

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HIGHEST & LOWEST

Monday: Highest day temp: Lowestoft, Suffolk, 23C (73F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath Highland, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Spadeadam, Cumbria, 0.35in; highest sunshine: Lerwick, Shetland, 11.5hr.

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FORECAST

□ General: most of England and Wales will be cloudy. Rain will spread slowly north from southern counties. Some heavy rain is likely, except towards the Scottish border where much of the day may be dry. Southeastern England should become brighter later, although there will still be heavy showers in places. Scotland and Northern Ireland will have sunny spells, but also a few showers. It will be cool, and there will be a fresh northeasterly wind at times over southern Britain.

□ London, SE England, Central S England, Channel Isles: wet morning, brighter later but risk of heavy showers. Wind northeast fresh, later southeast light. Max 17C (63F).

□ E Anglia, E Midlands, W Midlands, SW England, S Wales: mostly wet. Wind northeast, becoming fresh. Max 15C (59F).

□ E England, N Wales, NW England, Central N: dry for a time, but rain in most places by afternoon. Wind northeast moderate or fresh. Max 15C (59F).

□ Lake District, Isle of Man, NE England, Borders, SW Scotland: bright with a few showers, cloudy later. Wind northeast light or moderate. Max 16C (61F).

□ Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, N W Scotland, Northern Ireland: sunny spells, then showers. Wind northeast to east, mainly light. Max 15C (59F).

□ NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: mostly bright, chance of a shower. Wind east to southeast, light. Max 13C (55F).

□ Outlook: rain will clear away during tomorrow, then most places will be dry with sunny spells.

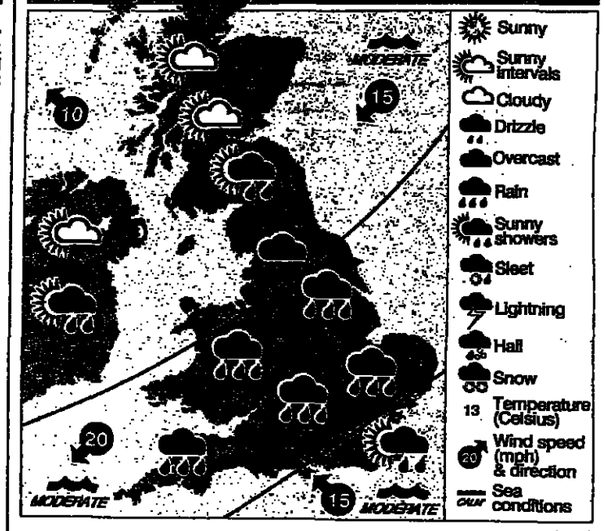
TODAY

24 hrs to 6 pm: t=thunder; d=drizzle; ds=dust storm; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain; h=hail; du=dull; g=gale; sh=shower; b=bright; ds=dust storm

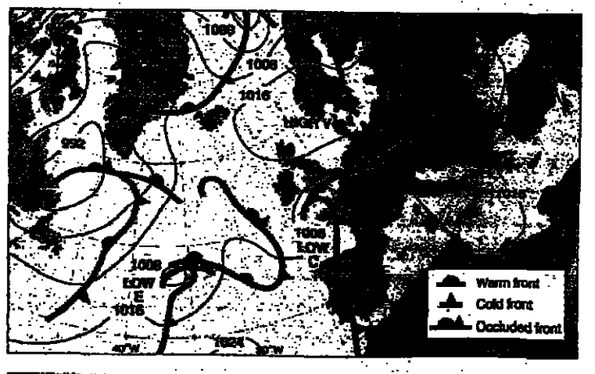
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Aberdeen	6.1	0.02	18	64	s	London	8.9	-	20	68	b
Anglesey	6.0	-	17	63	s	Lowestoft	9.3	-	23	73	s
Aspatria	x					Manchester	4.8	0.05	18	64	sh
Aviemore	8.4	0.05	17	63	sh	Margate	8.1	-	19	66	s
Belfast	2.3	0.05	17	63	sh	Minehead	4.4	0.02	17	63	b
Birmingham	7.6	-	19	66	b	Morecambe	4.1	0.18	16	61	sh
Bognor R	6.7	-	20	68	b	Newcastle	7.1	-	17	63	b
Bournem'th	4.7	-	20	68	b	Newquay	5.4	-	17	63	b
Bristol	5.5	0.01	18	64	b	Norwich	8.6	-	19	66	b
Buxton	5.1	0.04	15	59	s	Nottingham	6.1	-	19	66	b
Cardiff	5.8	0.22	17	63	s	Oxford	6.0	-	19	66	b
Clacton	11.0	-	22	72	s	Penzance	X				
Cleethorpes	10.9	-	20	68	s	Plymouth	7.2	0.02	18	64	b
Colwyn Bay	5.8	-	18	64	s	Poole	3.2	-	21	70	b
Cromer	8.9	-	19	66	s	Prestatyn	X	0.15	17	63	b
Doncaster	6.0	0.01	19	66	sh	Ross-o-wye	5.0	-	18	64	b
Dunbar	5.6	0.07	18	64	b	Ryde	4.9	-	20	68	b
Eastbourne	7.8	0.05	18	64	s	Sandown	6.6	0.25	20	68	sh
Edinburgh	7.3	0.02	18	64	sh	Saunton Snd	5.2	0.04	17	63	b
Eskdalemuir	4.7	0.21	15	59	sh	Scarboro'	2.1	-	17	63	c
Exmouth	5.4	-	18	64	b	Scilly Isles	4.0	-	17	63	s
Falmouth	X	-	19	66	c	Shanklin	6.1	0.05	16	64	sh
Fishguard	6.4	-	16	61	b	Shrewsbury	7.9	-	20	68	b
Folkestone	10.9	-	18	66	s	Skegness	9.2	-	20	68	s
Glasgow	4.9	0.15	17	63	sh	Southend	4.3	X	X	X	
Guernsey	X					Southport	7.0	-	16	61	b
Hastings	X					Southsea	X	-	20	68	s
Hayling I.	5.4	-	20	68	b	Stornoway	5.8	0.09	14	57	sh
Herne Bay	7.3	-	20	68	s	Swanage	6.6	-	20	68	s
Hove	9.5	-	19	66	b	Teignmouth	6.2	-	20	68	b
Hunstanton	X	-	19	66	b	Torby	5.1	-	17	63	b
Jersey	9.6	-	19	66	s	Tiree	3.9	0.13	15	59	sh
Kinloss	3.9	0.06	16	61	sh	Torquay	6.6	-	20	68	s
Leeds	7.6	0.01	18	64	b	Tynemouth	9.0	-	17	63	s
Lerwick	11.5	-	15	59	s	Ventnor	6.3	0.01	19	66	sh
Leuchars	6.2	-	16	64	b	Weas-s-mare	X				
Littlehmptn	7.3	-	20	68	s	Weymouth	8.2	-	19	66	b
Liverpool	6.9	-	17	63	s	These are Monday's figures					

Ajaccio	29	84	c	C'phagn	18	64	s	Madrid	32	90	f
Alicatti	30	86	s	Corfu	32	90	s	Majorca	31	88	s
Alex'dria	29	84	f	Dublin	16	61	c	Malaga	33	91	s
Algiers	33	91	s	Dubrovnik	27	81	s	Malta	31	88	f
Amst'dm	18	64	f	Faro	28	82	s	Melb'rne	14	57	f
Athens	33	91	s	Florence	30	86	s	Mexico C	20	68	f
Bahrein	36	97	c	Frankfurt	19	66	f	Miami	28	82	f
Bangkok	31	88	c	Funchal	25	77	f	Milan	27	81	c
Barbados	31	88	f	Geneva	24	75	s	Montreal	19	66	f
Barcelona	28	82	f	Gibraltar	27	81	s	Moscow	17	63	c
Beirut	23	84	f	Helsinki	12	54	r	Munich	21	70	s
Belgrade	27	81	f	Hong K	31	88	s	Nairobi	24	75	c
Berlin	18	64	f	Innsbruck	23	73	f	Naples	31	88	f
Bermuda	31	88	f	Istanbul	27	81	f	N Delhi	34	93	f
Biarritz	21	70	c	Jeddah	38	100	s	N York	21	70	c
Bordx's	25	77	c	Jo'burg	19	66	s	Nice	27	81	f
Brussels	20	68	f	Nairobi	23	81	f	Oslo	17	63	f
Budapst	25	77	s	L Palmas	24	75	c	Paris	22	72	f
B Aires	18	64	f	La Toquet	17	63	f	Peking	29	84	s
Cairo	32	90	s	Lisbon	25	77	c	Perth	17	63	s
Cape Tn	20	68	s	Locarno	23	73	s	Prague	19	66	f
Chicago	25	77	s	L Angels	25	77	c	Reykjavik	12	54	c
Ch'church	-	--		Luxembg	19	66	f	Rhodes	30	86	s
Cologne	17	63	s	Luxor	38	100	s	Rio de J	21	70	f
Riyadh	41	106	s
Rome	28	84	s
Salzburg	24	75	s
S F'risco	18	64	s
Santiago	-	--	
S Paulo	27	81	c
Seoul	28	82	c
Sing'por	31	88	f
St'kholm	15	59	f
Strasb'rg	21	70	s
Sydney	16	61	c
Tangier	25	77	f
Tel Aviv	30	86	s
Tenerife	28	79	s
Tokyo	33	91	s
Toronto	21	70	s
Tunis	25	95	s
Valencia	29	84	f
Vanc'ver	18	64	c
Venice	27	81	s
Vienna	21	70	c
Warsaw	19	66	f
Wash'ton	21	70	r
Zurich	20	66	s

Temperatures at midday local time X = not available



Changes to chart below from noon: low C will drift eastwards and fill; low E will fill; high V will move eastwards, leaving behind a weak high over Britain



TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	7.56	5.7	8.33	5.4	Liverpool	5.48	7.1	6.29	7.2
Aberdeen	5.44	3.3	9.21	3.5	Lowestoft	4.40	2.2	5.09	2.1
Avonmouth	12.42	9.2	1.22	9.4	Margate	6.48	3.8	7.20	3.8
Belfast	5.58	2.8	6.29	3.0	Milford Haven	12.27	4.8	1.10	4.9
Cardiff	12.36	8.56	1.21	8.70	Newquay	-	-	12.14	5.0
Devonport	-	-	12.17	4.2	Oban	1.07	2.8	1.43	2.9
Dover	6.07	5.1	6.35	5.1	Penzance	11.36	4.2	-	-
Falmouth	11.47	4.0	-	-	Portland	-	-	12.26	1.4
Glasgow	7.17	3.9	7.44	4.1	Portsmouth	5.55	3.7	6.23	3.8
Harwich	6.16	3.3	6.53	3.2	Shoreham	5.22	4.2	6.10	4.3
Holyhead	5.22	4.2	6.10	4.3	Southampton	5.37	3.7	6.10	3.7
Hull	12.37	5.54	13.34	5.45	Stracombe	12.36	6.6	1.23	7.0
King's Lynn	12.46	4.7	1.35	4.6	Swansea	12.38	8.6	1.29	4.1
Leith	8.48	4.2	10.26	4.3	Tees	10.58	4.0	11.29	3.2
					W'ton-on-Nze	8.01	3.4	6.43	

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Sun rises: 6.11 am
Sun sets: 7.50 pm
Moon sets: 4.27 pm
Moon rises: 12.19 am

London 7.50 pm to 6.13 am
Bristol 8.00 pm to 6.21 am
Edinburgh 8.11 pm to 6.15 am
Manchester 8.02 pm to 6.16 am
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WEDNESDAY AUGUST 31 1994

JAMES MORGAN



Shares in the Euro Disneyland theme park fell by 10 per cent yesterday, then rebounded by 20 per cent, prompting four suspensions

Bourse steps in to halt trading in Euro Disney

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

THE authorities on the French stock exchange were forced to step in four times yesterday to halt trading in Euro Disneyland, the theme park near Paris, after wild gyrations in the share price.

This followed trading in Paris on Monday that left the shares 15 per cent lower. The London market marked Euro Disneyland back to 95p as trading started after the British bank holiday. The shares ended at 110p, 7p lower and a new closing low in London.

Euro Disneyland sources blamed technical factors for the latest run on the shares, along with an unfavourable broker's report and a string of false or misleading rumours.

In Paris, the shares eventually recovered much of their falls but were still well off *opening levels on Friday*, when the selling run started. The Bourse stepped in three times to stop trading — this is required under French stock exchange rules if a company loses 10 per cent of its market worth — as the Euro Disneyland price plunged to a trading low of Fr7.55.

The fourth suspension came as the shares changed direction. The Bourse agreed to relax its rules to allow them to trade upwards by more than 10 per cent, but when the rise reached 20 per cent, trading had to be suspended again. The shares ended at Fr9.10, Fr1.20 above their opening level but 40 centimes below Friday's close.

Shares were offered to investors at Fr10, or 125p, in a rights issue this summer. This came as part of a financial restructuring plan that enabled Euro Disneyland to cut *its debt from Fr21 billion to* Fr16 billion and reduce running costs.

The wild swings in the share price prompted the company to demand an inquiry by the Bourse. But a similar demand for an inquiry into trading in the run-up to the rights issue — *during which, the company* claimed, the price was artificially forced lower by speculators — produced no results.

Analysts remain deeply sceptical about the project's long-term chances and are not convinced that Euro Disney can attract enough visitors to make a profit.

The weight of inquiries from brokers over the share price falls prompted Euro Disneyland to call a meeting at the Hotel Bristol, opposite the Elysée presidential palace. But the location had to be changed to a hotel at the park after a leak to the press threatened to turn the event into a "media circus", the company said.

A spokesman denied any cloak-and-dagger element to the change of location. He said: "It was an opportunity for the company to . . . confirm to brokers' faces that there was no new information to come out."

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Lindsay Cook

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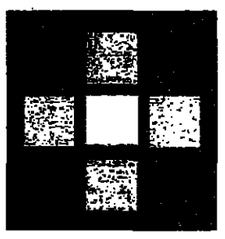
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Britain's biggest construction contractors are racing to form consortia to build and manage new roads
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Trade unions in Britain are poised to grow again, according to a study of the unions' future.
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BP has discoverd a new gas field in Colombia, the Volcanera, equivalent to 1 billion barrels of oil
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Fimbra set to fine advisers £50,000

BY ROBERT MILLER

KNIGHT Williams (KW), the firm of independent financial advisers criticised by an investors' action group, is today expected to be fined £50,000 by Fimbra, its regulator, for rule breaches.

KW is also understood to be facing costs of around £20,000 arising from the disciplinary hearings. The KW fine is thought to be the second-highest fine levied by Fimbra. Last year, DBS was fined £60,000 for its involvement with an appointed representative over the sale of unsuitable home income plans.

Last month, American Express Insurance Services was fined £50,000 for misleading investors over *a Norwich Union endow*ment policy. Earlier this month, Fimbra fined Bankhall Investment Management £25,000.

Last weekend, *The Times* revealed that a consultant to KW had written to all 651 MPs to apologise for suggesting that three of the eight MPs who signed an early day motion criticising KW had acted improperly. In a letter dated August 15 and headed "An apology" Joe Egerton, the KW consultant, wrote: "May I make it clear that I have never suggested that anyone signed [the motion] from improper motives."

KW, which specialises in retirement income planning, has more than £500 million of funds under management and 26,000 investors. The firm has been subject of *a number* of complaints to Fimbra, the Consumers' Association and MPs. The KW action group wants an independent arbitrator to consider complaints. Last night neither Fimbra nor KW was available to *comment.*

US defence giants in $10bn merger

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

■ The end of the Cold War has brought about a massive rationalisation of the mighty US defence industry. The latest merger has implications for British defence supplies

THE Lockheed and Martin Marietta Corporations, America's second and third largest defence contractors, yesterday announced an agreement to merge and form the world's largest space and defence company.

If approved by shareholders and the US regulatory authorities, the mega-merger will create a Maryland-based company to be called Lockheed Martin with annual sales of $23 billion and 170,000 employees. That would oust McDonnell Douglas from its present position as America's top defence contractor.

The proposed merger comes at a sensitive time for Britain's defence industry and the Ministry of Defence. Lockheed is *engaged in a battle with* British Aerospace for contracts worth more than £2 billion to replace the 60-strong fleet of Hercules aircraft that form the backbone of the Royal Air Force's transport fleet. Lockheed, which built the existing aircraft, is wooing the RAF as launch customer for an updated version, the C130J, to be rolled out in 1996. BAe, meanwhile, is pressing the Government to opt for a planned European collaborative plane, the Future Large Aircraft, which would be larger and faster.

At the same time, a merger between two of America's biggest defence industry players could strengthen the competition faced by BAe in overseas defence markets, although in the short run, removal of some excesss capacity could prove a blessing to BAe, *which is the world's* biggest defence company outside the United States.

The merger announcement was the most dramatic example yet of the consolidation taking place in the defence industry since the end of the Cold War, easily eclipsing the Northrop Corporation's $2.2 billion purchase of Grumman Corporation in May.

Martin and Lockheed are two of the world's original aircraft companies, with roots going back to the World War One era in California. In their struggle to survive in a fast-shrinking market, both have nearly doubled in size over the past few years by buying up smaller defence companies.

Daniel Tellep, Lockheed's chairman, said: "This merger is the next logical step in the continued growth and prosperity of Lockheed and Martin *Marietta." It would result in a* "significant reduction of costs to the government while preserving the defence-industrial base". The merger, five months in the making, involves a $10 billion stock transaction, with Lockheed shareholders receiving 1.6 shares in the new company for each share of their existing stock, and Martin Marietta receiving one new share for each old one. Mr Tellep will become chairman and chief executive of the new company. Norman Augustine, Martin Marietta's chairman and chief executive, will be president but will succeed 62-year-old Mr Tellep when he retires.

Both companies are major satellite manufacturers, but Lockheed is a major builder of military aircraft, notably the F-16 and the F-117A "Stealth" fighter, while Martin Marietta is a leader in the field of space-launchers, notably the Titan IV, America's largest unmanned rocket.

Mr Augustine said the merged company would move aggressively to develop its non-defence businesses and *eliminate duplication. The US* government has not promised approval of the merger, but both companies foresee little problem as the Pentagon has been encouraging consolidation of the defence industry. The merger is expected to be completed early next year.

Debt pressure on Stanhope grows

BY CARL MORTISHED

DISTRESSED debt sales are increasing pressure on Stanhope Properties, the troubled owner of a half share in Broadgate, the City office complex. A mystery buyer has been paying premium prices for distressed debt in Rosehaugh, Stanhope's collapsed partner in Broadgate, and £10 million of Stanhope's own *debt is* said to have been sold at twice its market value.

Stanhope needs to refinance and is under pressure to resolve the future of Broadgate Properties, owner of the Broadgate and Ludgate office complexes and coveted by British Land, which owns 29.9 per cent of Stanhope.

The Rosehaugh debt, worth about £2 million, was picked up for some 30p in the pound, well above the 10p to 15p at which brokers reckon it ought to trade. KPMG Peat Marwick, receivers to Rosehaugh, would not identify the buyer. Both the Rosehaugh and Stanhope loans were thought to have been sold to a North American buyer, with George Soros's Quantum Fund, partnered with British Land in a £1 billion property fund, a likely candidate.



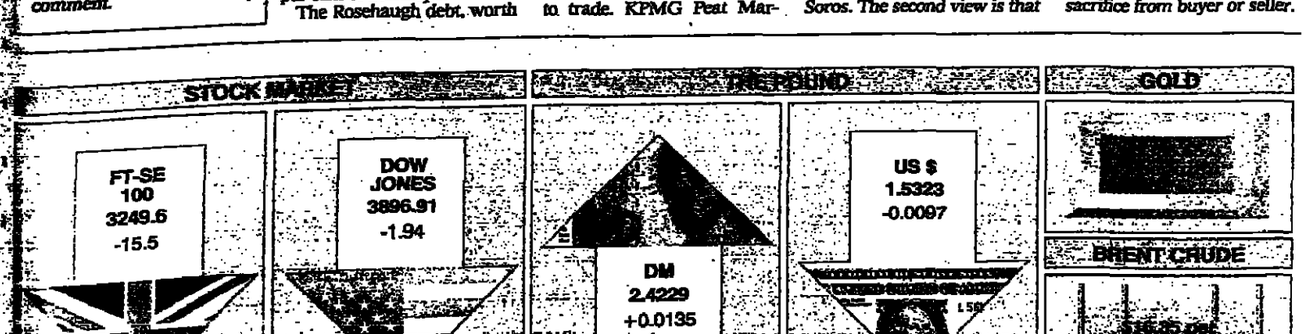
Soros: likely candidate

The Stanhope debt package, worth about £10 million, was being offered at 58p to 62p in the pound by an American bank acting for one of the Japanese banks in the Stanhope loan syndicate. Ed Horne, of Klesch & Co, thought the price was high, saying: "It would have to be someone who thinks it will be worth par. Everyone thinks it is British Land or George *Soros. The second view is that* it is someone riding on their coat tails."

Stanhope's negotiations with lenders are at a peak; *its £165 million loan facility is for* renewal in December. Stanhope's restructuring plans have so far failed to generate interest from investors.

The cost of owning Broadgate is the problem, with long gilts, the benchmark for property investors, yielding over 8.5 per cent. The £900 million book value of Broadgate's properties assumes an investment yield of some 7 per cent, but even the strongest buyer would be financing the property at 9 per cent plus.

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Trade unions 'poised to make a comeback'

BY PHILIP BASSETT
INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

TRADE unions in Britain are poised to grow again, according to a study of the unions' future. But the study says unions must be both adaptable and pragmatic and must take up the cause of all workers, regardless of whether they are union members.

The study, commissioned by the Trades Union Congress as part of its relaunch, is published in advance of next week's annual TUC conference and comes at a time of increased interest in unions, partly as a result of the series of rail strikes.

The study, called *The Future of the Trade Unions*, will be launched by the TUC today, at a conference involving Jacques Delors, the President of the European Commission, and Tony Blair, the leader of the Labour Party. It suggests that the conditions for a revival of trade unionism in Britain are in place.

Trade unions have lost more than 4 million members since 1979, but the study by Robert Taylor, a respected union commentator and journalist, says that "the future of Britain's trade unions looks more promising in an age of rapid economic and industrial change than many people realise".

Based principally on evidence submitted to the all-party Commons employment committee's inquiry into the future of the trade unions, the study says it is "not inevitable" that unions will face further contraction in their membership and influence, and that they still have the opportunity to renew themselves. Sitting back and waiting for a future Labour government to help them will be insufficient, however. Looking at companies such as Rover, Kvaerner Govan, Boots, Toyota and HP Foods, the study says unions need to "go back to first principles in their appeal to workers and employers", striking a "delicate" balance between individual and collective approaches.

In an increasingly deregulated labour market, millions of people are fearful for their jobs and living standards and unions can provide protection for them, it argues.

John Monks, the TUC general secretary, says in an introduction to the study that "the time is ripe for a resurgence of trade unionism in Britain". He warns, though, that the re-awakening of trade unionism in British life is "necessary but by no means inevitable".

The growth of unions, he says, will depend on their efforts to convince workers — especially those in newly developing industries and services — to join unions, and to convince employers, politicians and the community as a whole that unions have a "valuable and positive" contribution to make.

Go-it-alone Volvo sees huge surge in profits

BY COLIN NARBROUGH, WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

VOLVO, Sweden's industrial flagship, celebrated its first half year since aborting plans to merge its car and truck business with Renault of France, with a massive surge in profits.

The conglomerate's pre-tax profit jumped to Kr9.02 billion (£770 million), from Kr380 million kronor last time. Net profit was Kr7.64 billion, up from Kr380 million.

Since Volvo shareholders blocked the planned merger with Renault, the French state-controlled automotive group, last December, Sören Gyll, Volvo group chief executive, has sought urgently to refocus the company on the transport sector. Sales of shareholdings in the first half yielded capital gains of Kr4.1 billion.

However, at operating level, Volvo boosted profits to Kr4.47 billion from Kr166 million, as the weaker Swedish currency helped to lift sales to Kr75.7 billion, from Kr48.8 billion. Excluding currency effects and a major acquisition, sales were up by 30 per cent.

Mr Gyll said that automotive operations were developing well, with a second-quarter operating profit of Kr2.51 billion, their highest ever for a quarter. He said that Volvo cars and trucks had increased their market share in important markets in *Europe and North America*, securing 15 per cent of the European heavy truck market, Volvo's best result ever.

The car division returned to a Kr1.48 billion operating profit in the first half, after a Kr70 million loss last time. The truck division almost tripled operating profit to Kr1.77 billion. Mr Gyll forecast that Volvo could increase car production to 425,000 next year after raising output by 30,000 to an annual rate of 380,000 units this year.

The French government plans to go ahead with plans to offer the public some of its 80 per cent stake in Renault, but the state will retain control for the time being, Edouard Balladur, the Prime Minister, said yesterday. This appeared to confirm recent indications that the government was not prepared to push for full privatisation before presidential elections next year.

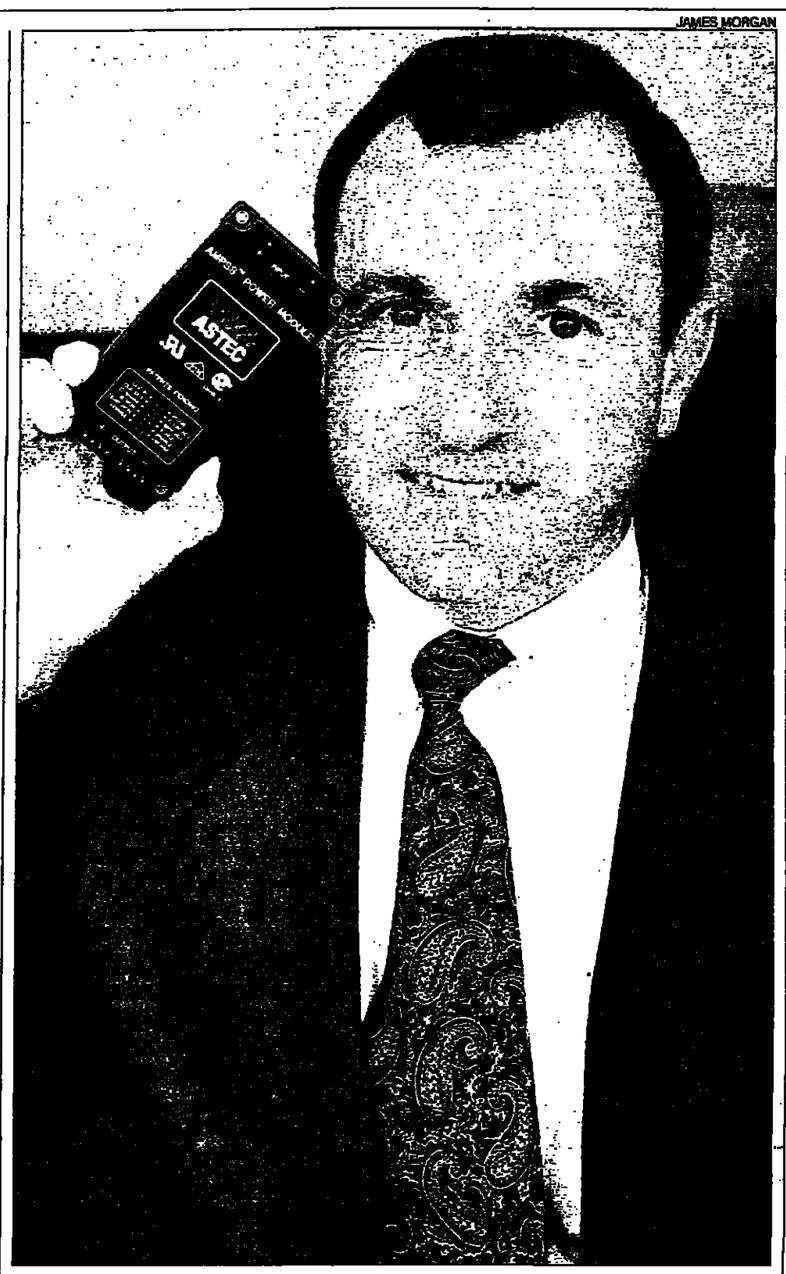
M Balladur gave no details of the timing of the disposal, but said that it would follow talks with Volvo, which still holds 20 per cent of Renault. He said that Renault had no plans for a new alliance at present, but that a key reason for the planned offer of shares to the public and the Renault workforce was to make its easier to forge agreements with other carmakers in an overcrowded European market.

Speaking on French radio, M Balladur said: "I've always said we could not consider a privatisation of Renault if, at the same time, there was no international agreement which would guarantee Renault's future."

Until earlier this month, the *government had given no indication* that the Renault sale would precede the planned sell-off of Assurances Générales de France, the state-owned insurer. However, officials have in recent days made clear that Renault will be first to market.

Renault sell-off, page 25

JAMES MORGAN



ASTEC (BSR), the Hong Kong electronics company, is buying a factory in the Philippines to expand production of its power supply components. George Tamke, above, the deputy chairman, said the group is investing up to $10 million in the site. He announced a 70 per cent increase in Astec's pre-tax profits to £6.3 million in the first half of the year on a ten per cent rise in turnover to £150 million, and a 60 per cent rise in the dividend to 0.4p. Mr Tamke said the company has completed its recovery and is looking for acquisitions to expand its customer base.

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Foreign direct investment growing

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

FOREIGN direct investment by multinational companies, which fell for two years in the early 1990s, is recovering. Flows to developing countries such as China are playing a major role, according to the *World Investment Report*, published by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (Unctad).

Total flows in 1993 were $195 billion, compared with $171 billion in 1992. Of that, developing countries attracted a record $80 billion. This was double the inflows seen in 1991 and the same as total world inflows in 1986, a measure of developing countries' increasing importance in the world economy.

China, one of many developing countries which are expanding rapidly and investing heavily, accounted for $26 billion and was second only to America in attracting investment money from overseas.

American companies topped the league of foreign direct investment, followed by those of France, Japan and Germany. Britain, which was the largest outward investor in the second half of the 1980s, fell to fifth place.

The flow of investment money to the developing world has, however, been uneven. Most is still concentrated in ten to 15 countries, above all in Asia and Latin America.

Fears that the opening up of central and eastern Europe would divert investment from developing countries have proved groundless. In 1993, *flows to the region totalled* only an estimated $5 billion, much less than had been expected. Unctad said this could prompt a rethink about the role likely to be played by foreign companies in the transition of central and eastern Europe from centrally planned to market economies.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Miners shun British Coal's new contracts

TWO thousand miners in Yorkshire, Scotland and north Wales were last night continuing to hold out against pressure from British Coal to sign new, more flexible contracts. Despite the offer of a £6,000 cash payment and the promise of guaranteed redundancy payments of up to £27,000 for four years, they have continued to shun the deal. British Coal, which is anxious to achieve uniform conditions of employment before privatisation this autumn, originally persuaded around 6,000 miners, some three-quarters of its remaining underground workforce, to sign up.

But the pit deputies union, Nacods, forced the Corporation to extend the deadline after an industrial tribunal ruled that the package had been withdrawn amid conflicting advice to miners. British Coal insists that the contracts are the only way to ensure mineworkers' redundancy rights are protected when the Corporation is split into five regional groups and sold.

EBRD profit halved

THE European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) suffered an ecu 5.59 million (£4.47 million) loss on financial operations in the second quarter, which wiped out an ecu 750,000 trading profit in the first quarter, interim figures showed. The reversal halved second-quarter operating profits before provisions to ecu 1.54 million, cutting the first-half profit to ecu 4.48 million from ecu 10.35 million. The bank said profits after provisions suffered because of increased provisions as loan disbursements, or equity purchases, in Eastern and Central Europe increased. The Bank has to match each disbursement with set provisioning.

Bowater goes Dutch

BOWATER, the British packaging group, is to acquire Van Gelder Coatings for 41.5 million guilders (£15.4 million) from the Dutch Gelderse Papiergroep. Van Gelder is principally a manufacturer of PE coated siliconised paper for specialist products. Van Gelder has annual turnover of approximately 40 million guilders and employs 130 people. Bowater said the business will become part of its Release International subsidiary, headquartered in Chicago. Separately, Bowater has approved an investment of $27 million for Release International to build a new greenfield manufacturing facility in America.

Air France recruits Wolf

AIR FRANCE, the troubled French national airline, has hired Stephen Wolf, former chairman of United Airlines (UAL), the American carrier, to help restore the company to health. Mr Wolf, who masterminded the $4.8 billion employee buyout at UAL, will work as an adviser to Christian Blanc, the Air France chairman. The French carrier has been given approval by the European Commission to receive a Fr20 billion capital injection from the Government as part of a major restructuring programme. Mr Wolf is expected to provide assistance in making over up to 15 per cent of the Air France equity to the workforce.

Private medicine rises

ONE in nine Britons is now covered by private medical insurance according to a report published today by Euromonitor, the analyst. This year they will be spend nearly £1.4 billion on premiums, rising to £1.5 billion by 1998.

The report says that beween 1989 and 1993 spending on premiums grew by more than 46 per cent prompted by "growing insecurity over the NHS and aggressive marketing campaigns by the leading players." Last year these were: Bupa, with 46 per cent of the market, PPP with 28 per cent and Norwich Union with 8 per cent.

Tax cuts 'benefited rich'

THREE-QUARTERS of the money from tax cuts since 1985 has gone to the richest 10 per cent of the population, according to a study by the influential Institute for Fiscal Studies. Another major conclusion of the study, which compares the projected effects of the tax system in 1995 with 1985, is that the richest 60 per cent are better off on average while the poorest 40 per cent are worse off because of the Government's switch towards more indirect taxation. The richest 10 per cent pay 8 per cent of their income in indirect taxes while the poorest pay nearly 20 per cent.

Buckingham on target

PRINCIPAL financial targets in the support plan for Buckingham International, the leisure group, have been met so far, according to the interim statement. The pre-tax loss in the six months to the beginning of May was £900,000. The previous interim loss was £2.5 million plus exceptional losses of £60 million. The improvement reflects a £1 million reduction in interest charges as disposals cut debt from £95.5 million to £78.2 million. Trading conditions in Holland and Orlando, where Buckingham has hotels, are proving more difficult than this time last year.

UK Safety cuts 94 jobs

UK SAFETY, which supplies boots to the British Army, is axing 94 jobs in a restructuring. The group, which last month issued a profits warning, is closing a factory in Huthwaite, Nottinghamshire, to concentrate production in Bristol. It said it was confident the closure and plans to concentrate increasingly on shoes and boots for the work and safetywear markets would boost performance. John Newman, finance director, has switched to managing director. Last month, UK Safety said full-year profits would be below market expectations and revealed that sales to the MoD had fallen.

Kidder, Peabody loses top brokers in wake of Jett affair



Jett: denial

FROM SEAN MAC CARTHAIGH IN NEW YORK

DOZENS of Kidder, Peabody's top brokers have quit in the wake of the Joseph Jett scandal, taking with them $2 billion in client accounts, the broker said. In recent weeks, six members of Kidder Associates, the elite group of the firm's top 25 brokers, have left for other Wall Street firms. So far this year, 45 brokers with average commissions of $1 million each have left.

In April, Kidder, Peabody fired Joseph Jett, then head of its government bonds desk, saying he invented $350 million in fake profits to boost his personal bonus and to cover up real losses of about $85 million over two years. Mr Jett denies the allegations. According to some analysts, the departure of top-ranking brokers shows how vulnerable Wall Street firms are to having rival companies steal their brokers, even when divisions are not directly affected by a scandal.

Mark Sutton, head of Kidder's brokerage force, was quoted in US editions of *The Wall Street Journal* yesterday as saying he would not be surprised if more brokers left the company.

Kidder said it would counter the defections by poaching brokers from other firms, as well as boosting its training programme.

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Slip in US confidence

US consumer confidence in the economy fell more than two points in August to 89 per cent on an index kept by the Conference Board, the business research organisation. The figure was the lowest since May when the index stood at 88.9 per cent. Analysts had expected the index to rise to 92 per cent this month.

The number of respondents reporting that business conditions were good was down slightly, and there was also a modest decline in those that reported that conditions were bad. There was a moderate rise in the number of people who said jobs were "hard to get."

BP discovers new gas field in Colombia

BY CARL MORTISHED

BP HAS discovered a new gas field in Colombia and estimates that recoverable reserves may exceed 5 trillion cubic feet of gas and 250 million barrels of condensate. The company is drilling an appraisal well to confirm the size of the find, known as the Volcanera field, and reckoned to be equivalent to almost 1 billion barrels of oil.

BP yesterday said Volcanera almost doubles Colombia's gas reserves, and the company predicts that gas demand in the country will grow by ten per cent annually over the next five to ten years. "We shall be looking vigorously for opportunities in every aspect of that growing market, including the industrial and domestic sectors and power generation," said John Browne, chief executive of BP Exploration.

BP already has a stake in the Cusiana oil field 35 kilometres from Volcanera and a portion of the new gas could be used for reinjection into Cusiana to boost oil recovery from the field. Power generation is the likely long-term market for the gas. Colombia's existing energy sources are hydro-electricity and coal, and analysts expect BP could joint-venture a power station in the country.

Volcanera straddles the boundary between the Recetor block, where BP acquired a 63 per cent stake last year for $10 million, and its Piedemonte acreage.

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with article 49 of the company's articles of association, that at the annual general meeting of the company on November 11, 1994 at Brisbane, Australia, an election of directors shall be held

D Hume, Secretary and General Counsel

IN THE MATTER OF INGLEHURST LIMITED AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT AND RULES 1986
In accordance with Rule 4.106, I, S V Freakley of Butcher Phillips, 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF, give notice that on 16 August 1994 I was appointed Liquidator of Inglehurst Limited by resolutions of members and creditors
Notice is hereby given that the creditors of the above named company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before 31 December 1994 to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned S V Freakley of 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF, the Liquidator of the said company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution.
Dated: 17 August 1994
S V Freakley - Liquidator

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 46 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a general meeting of the unsecured creditors of the above-named company will be held at PO Box 883, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, (2nd Floor), London W2 6LF on 9 September 1994 at 12.00 hrs for the purpose of having a report laid before the meeting and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Administrative Receivers. Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to attend or be represented.
Please note that a creditor is entitled to vote only if he has delivered to the Administrative Receiver at Leonard Curtis & Co. no later than 12.00 hrs on 8 September 1994 details in writing of the debt claimed to be due from the company, and the claim has been duly admitted under the provisions of the Insolvency Rules 1986 and there has been lodged with the Administrative Receivers any proxy which the creditor intends to be used on his behalf.
Dated 25 August 1994
K. D. Goodman, FCA
Joint Administrative Receiver

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
No 004584 of 1994
In the Matter of Harrison Group Public Limited Company And in the Matter of the Companies Act 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Petition was on 11 July 1994 presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice for the confirmation of the reduction of the Share Premium Account of the above-named Company from £8,809,856 to £3,124,137.
AND NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the said Petition is directed to be heard before Mr Registrar Buckley at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL, on Wednesday the 5th day of October 1994.
ANY Creditor or Shareholder of the said Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said reduction of the Share Premium Account should appear at the time of hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.
A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the undermentioned Solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same. DATED this 26th day of July 1994. Dibb Lupton Broomhead Fountain Precinct Bank Green SHEFFIELD S1 1RZ Solicitors for the above-named company

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A list of names and address of the above company's creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis and Co, PO Box 883, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, (2nd Floor), London W2 6LF, between the hours of 10.00am to 4.00pm on the two business days preceeding the Meeting of Creditors.
DATED THIS 24th August 1994
A. T. Manning - Director

CHARITY COMMISSION
Charities - 1. the Incorporated Society of Musicians Orphans Fund
2. The Incorporated Society of Musicians Benevolent Fund.
The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for these charities. A copy of the draft Scheme can be obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London, SW1Y 4QX quoting reference DGY-202801-A/:-LAG-LDN. Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at Old Exchange, 234 Southbourne Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 2EG on 9th September 1994 at 2.00 p.m. for the purposes mentioned in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Notice is also hereby given, pursuant to Section 98(2)(a) of the Insolvency Act 1986, that Janis Taylor of Messrs. Taylor Gotham, The Old Exchange, 234 Southchurch Road, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 2EG is qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner in relation to the above company, and will furnish creditors, free of charge, with such information concerning the company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
Dated the 24th August 1994
By order of the Board
D. Dunkin - Director

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Tea for hundreds at the Lanesborough

BY JON ASHWORTH

FANCY tea at the Lanesborough? Be sure to book. Britain's priciest hotel, created at the former St George's hospital for £100 million, claims to have ousted the Ritz as *the* place to take tea in London.

Customers, many American, are downing more than 100 cream teas a day at the Hyde Park Corner venue. Not even a public tiff with Michael Winner, the *Death Wish* film director, has dented demand for finger sandwiches, scones and clotted cream.

The custom could hardly be more pleasing for Geoffrey Gelardi, managing director, who has exchanged broadsides with Mr Winner after the latter's hostile restaurant review earlier this year. "Our teas have become very popular," he says. "It must be to do with the hot summer."

Mr Gelardi, at the Hotel Bel Air, Los Angeles, before moving to London with Dallas's Rosewood Group, says that occupancy rates have averaged 90 per cent this year, after 70 per cent in 1993, giving "the highest occupancy and average rate of any deluxe hotel in London".

Daily rates average £270 plus VAT, excluding tea at £14.50, or £21 with champagne. Big hitters can take the £2,500-a-night Royal Suite, complete with butler and chauffeur-driven Bentley.

One person not expected is Mr Winner, who savaged the "awfulness" of the Conservatory restaurant and a "ghastly gas imitation coal fire". Mr Gelardi struck back when asked by to review Mr Winner's latest film, *Dirty Weekend*. Echoing the director's words, he wrote: "It was so awful as to be indescribable."

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☐ Waiting on Heron's offer document ☐ Suspension at the theme park ☐ Does the Government want a shipyard closure?

The preening of Heron

☐ BEARING in mind that bad news tends to travel Linford Christie style, silence from Heron International, in the wake of June's new found association with a consortium of would be bidders, can be taken as encouraging.

Word has it that UBS, which masterminded the £1.4 billion reconstruction of the house that Gerald Ronson built and then presided over an auction, will shortly issue a progress report.

Reconstruction Mark I proved flawed, not least because certain banks refused to permit Heron Corporation's funds to be upstreamed to Heron International. With Heron facing the prospect of liquidation, the gavel came into play. Enter Steven Green, the US businessman who chairs Astrum International — owners of the Samsonite brand — and Auburndale Properties, as the prospective saviour. Investors in HNV Acquisition, the bidding vehicle, include Rupert Murdoch, chairman and chief executive of News Corporation, owner of *The Times*, Terry Semel, chairman of Warner Brothers, Craig McCaw, chairman of McCaw Cellular Communications (sold to AT&T for $12 billion) and the family trusts of Michael Milken, Wall Street's one-time junk bond king.

Green's message, last June, was that Heron's problems reflected "an improperly restructured balance sheet" rather than "bad real estate selection." He also indicated an ongoing role for Ronsen & Co. In his words: "The exact role that Mr Ronson and his team would play is not structured, but I would hope we will have an opportunity to deal with them and use their expertise on these assets."

An update on negotiations from UBS is expected to prove the forerunner to a full scale offer document which, conceivably, could be out by mid-September. When Green emerged as Heron's preferred suitor, expectations were that holders of senior debt might receive offers of 45p *in the pound. This is significantly* higher than a rival consortium led by Goldman Sachs was prepared to offer and bond holders must hope that HNV's due diligence has not significantly altered matters. Under a receivership senior lenders might have received as little as 30p in the pound.

The crucial aspect of the bid will, however, be the opportunity for bondholders to convert their debt into equity, with HNV inevitably taking a majority stake. Bondholders, despairing of the banks, have consistently pressed for a debt for equity swap in order to receive a more equitable distribution of the cash flowing from Heron's disposal programme. Basil Vasilou, chairman of Wall Street debt trader Vasilou & Co., recently declared: "What we want to see is Heron's capital structure fixed so that the company can continue to do business without having to labour under an over-leveraged balance sheet." The bet, for those who take the equity, is that Green is set to preen Heron for a public flotation.

Euro Disney on the big dipper

☐ THE whole Euro Disneyland saga has come to a pretty pass when the arch-sceptic on the stock, Nigel Reed at Paribas, can be caught on an over-optimistic foot. But the shares' roller-coaster performance in Paris over the Bank Holiday weekend was prompted by him.

Mr Reed has never held a



favourable opinion of the park's prospects, and the market has noticeably tended to come into line with his views over the years rather than *vice versa*.

Even if there is as yet no concrete evidence that visitor numbers, the vital variable on *which the park's future depends*, are improving, supporters could always point to the £1.5 billion financial restructuring this summer, accompanied by the arrival of Prince al-Waleed bin Talal of Saudi Arabia as a shareholder.

But the prince's willingness to place a 125p-a-share price tag on a fifth of the company has not been shared by the market, and hence the weekend plunge to yesterday's new trading and closing lows, respectively, in Paris and London. There were three reasons given by the Euro Disneyland camp for the turbulence in Paris. For some technical Gallic reason, prices always fall at the start of the account, it is claimed.

Shareholders were meanwhile disturbed by the disarray in Burbank, where Walt Disney's head of films had quit. There was a suspicion that Michael Eisner, the Disney boss, might have his hands full in America and be tempted to pull out of Europe, despite the message to the contrary sent by Disney's support of the rights issue.

Thirdly, there was the Reed factor, and a negative note from *Paribas before the weekend that* started the selling. Mr Reed has apparently been revising his forecasts for the current year downwards and more into line with the rest of the market, which is assuming losses of Fr1.6 billion to Fr1.7 billion this year.

Even now, there are few brokers on this side of the Atlantic who would regard further weakness in the Euro Disneyland share price as a buying opportunity. The trade is more likely to be in the opposite direction, and renewed strength could spark further selling. Private shareholders take note.

Swan's enemy under the sea

☐ ONE does not have to be an addict of conspiracy theories, or to have read too deeply of the diaries of Alan Clark and their revelations about Ministry of Defence politicking, to have severe doubts over the Government's account of the Swan Hunter debacle.

Soffia/CMN, the yard's potential saviour, has now been given *the option of spending £1 million* of its own cash to tender to build a new survey vessel for the Royal Navy. While it deliberates, some inevitable questions arise.

What defence ministry truly determined to save the shipyard would jeopardise a rescue to pare £700,000 off a £57.7 million contract? And what defence procurements minister would offer to meet the would-be buyers on radio and televison, yet fail to fix a rendezvous?

As the end-game comes in sight for the Tyneside yard, the Government's true colours become clearer. The MoD does not want Swan Hunter to survive. But the Government does not want to be seen to block a rescue. The ministry therefore has a difficult task: it must ensure the shipyard closes, whilst appearing to do all in its power to keep the yard open.

The MoD strategy to whittle away at excess shipbuilding capacity by concentrating work in the lowest cost yards is understandable, commendable, even. Britain cannot afford to be sentimental about the loss of traditional industries when the future lies elsewhere.

But it is the duplicitous manner in which this particular slimming down is apparently being carried out that offends.

Mushy Peabody

☐ HARDLY Kidder Peabody's year. First the bond trading scandal in which Joseph Jett was accused of creating phantom profits of $350 million. Exit Jett, who claims Kidder knew all. Exit also chief executive Michael Carpenter and colleague Edward Cerullo. Now dealers are defecting with the thick end of $2 billion worth of client accounts. Not necessarily a long term "hold" for parent GE.



Sir Alistair Grant, chairman of Argyll, the owner of Safeway, which is selling off 151 of its small stores

Dixon cautions on motor sales

By Rodney Hobson

AUGUST, the start of the "M" vehicle registration year, has been "challenging" for the motor trade, according to Paul Dixon, the chief executive of Dixon Motors. "All the manufacturers were too optimistic in forecasting UK sales," he said. "They were trying to talk up the market."

Mr Dixon said his company's sales were meeting expectations and were above last year's level. Dixon sells two used cars for every new one and there has been a surge of high-quality vehicles up to two years old on the forecourts.

Dixon reported interim pre-tax profits of £3.4 million in the six months to June, against a pro-forma £642,000 in the first half of 1993. Earnings per share rose from 4.2p to 5.8p and the maiden interim dividend is 1.25p.

The motor group joined the stock market in May last year, after reversing into Plateau Mining. The sale of Plateau's Zimbabwean mines has the effect of cutting Dixon's tax bill to only 20 per cent for the next three years. Dixon still has a small mine in Equador, which has been written off in the balance sheet. If it is sold, it will produce a windfall for shareholders.

Mr Donald Driver, the chairman, said further acquisitions were likely before the end of the year. Dixon, based in Hull, acquired its third Toyota dealership in Burnley, in January, and a third Citroën dealership, in Doncaster, last month. Mr Driver said both were contributing to profits. In addition, the Renault franchise for Huddersfield and the Nissan franchise for Halifax had been secured. Both would be operational by January.

Australian rally too late for GPG

By Robert Miller

A RECOVERY in the Australian stock market came too late to save Guinness Peat Group (GPG), the investment vehicle of Sir Ron Brierley, the New Zealand businessman, from announcing a fall in pre-tax profits to £5 million from £6.8 million in the six months to June 30. Excluding Tyndall Australia, in which GPG has 52.5 per cent, profits were up 218 per cent to £5.96 million.

Sir Ron, the chairman of GPG, said: "Share market volatility in recent months has had some adverse effect on results, particularly for Tyndall, but this must be accepted as an inevitable consequence of a substantial exposure to equities which, overall, has been very rewarding in the past and is the cornerstone of expectations for the future."

Earnings per share at GPG, which holds around £8.5 million in cash raised in a rights issue earlier this year, rose to 1.09p against 0.76p. GPG said in view of the fact that it had just raised the additional cash plus a further £6.3 million raised by Tyndall Australia, it would not be paying a dividend this year but hoped to do so next year.

In the meantime, further GPG acquisitions are likely. Sir Ron added: "Two interesting developments in Australia are the 20 per cent holding in Premier Investments, which is effectively a commitment to the future value of Coles Myer shares, and the purchase of shares in Adelaide Steamship and its affiliate, Tooth & Co.

"We are now the largest shareholder in Adsteam, and are seeking a participating role in the future rehabilitation of the group. So far, GPG has been quite successful in creating profitable investment opportunities."

Alliance & Leicester doubles first-half mortgage lending

By Robert Miller

AGGRESSIVE mortgage lending helped Alliance & Leicester to more than double its residential loans in the first six months of the year.

Using a mix of heavily discounted and special fixed-rate mortgage deals, Britain's fourth-largest building society, with assets of £22 billion, announced mortgage lending of £1.1 billion to June 30, against £500,000 last time. Pre-tax profits at the society, which also owns Girobank, were up 45 per cent, to £134 million, against £93 million; and its share of all building society gross lending rose from 3.8 to 6.4 per cent.

Alliance & Leicester's figures were helped by a huge fall in bad debt provisions, from £67 million to £19 million. Losses on residential loans fell by 76 per cent, to £9 million, and losses from commercial and unsecured lending were down to £4 million (£18 million) and £6 million (£11 million) respectively.

The society said it was maintaining its position as "the most successful building society lender in the personal loans market", with an increase of almost 20 per cent in unsecured loan balances to £474 million (£396 million). Richard Pym, Alliance & Leicester's group finance director, said: "Interest rates on unsecured loans have been falling steadily this year and we aim to remain competitive."

The telephone features strongly in Alliance & Leicester's plans. Last month, the society launched the Alliance account, a 24-hour telephone banking service. The cost of the national launch is reflected in an increase in administrative expenses, to £320.3 million (£309.6 million). The society also announced an increase in exceptional administrative expenses to £17.1 million, from £6.2 million last time.



White: confident

Mr Pym said this was due to the integration of Girobank's personal accounts into the society's and a redundancy and reorganisation programme. Between 100 and 150 *staff lost their jobs.*

Girobank increased the volume of its cash handling business to £31 billion, against £29 billion, and contributed significantly to the group's income. Including commissions and fees, this rose by £20 million, to £225 million.

Commenting on the results, Peter White, the group's chief executive, said: "I am delighted with our strong performance ... despite an uncertain housing market. We have brought together the personal financial services operations of the building society and Girobank into one business unit and launched our new current account, the Alliance account. The remainder of 1994 will see intense competition in our main markets, but despite these pressures I am confident that we will continue to progress."

Argyll sells 123 Lo-Cost stores to Spar group

ARGYLL Group, Britain's third biggest supermarket operator and owner of the Safeway chain, has sold 151 small stores in England and Wales for £19.7 million.

A consortium of five companies operating under the Spar banner are buying 123 Lo-Cost stores and 28 Presto outlets from the group, whose chairman is Sir Alistair Grant. The 151 stores, which average about 2,000 sq ft, have a book value of £12.7 million and annual sales of about £150 million. The deal follows a fundamental review *of the Lo-Cost business, which* has been one of the casualties of increased competition.

Colin Smith, chief executive, said the future of the remaining 144 Lo-Cost stores remained under review. Analysts believe the group is keen to dispose of these stores and cited Kwik Save as the most likely purchaser. Mr Smith said: "In one deal we have been able to tidy up and dispose of 150 stores. There are not many buyers around who would want to buy that number of stores, and it could have taken us months." He said the jobs of the 1,750 staff in the storeswere safe.

Philip Dorgan, of Goldman Sachs, said: "This has not solved Lo-Cost's problems but it has been a useful cleaning-up exercise."

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SmithKline shares rise on takeover

By Sarah Bagnall

SMITHKLINE Beecham's $2.9 billion acquisition of Sterling Winthrop from Eastman Kodak was welcomed by the City yesterday, with dealers marking the company's A shares up by 5p, to 464p.

However, the takeover, announced on Bank Holiday Monday, prompted Standard & Poor's, *the rating agency, to* initiate a review of the company's long-term debt and commercial paper ratings, with "negative" implications.

Sterling Winthrop makes over-the-counter medicines, and its sales exceed $1 billion.

Nigel Barnes, an analyst with Hoare Govett, said: "The deal looks as if it makes excellent strategic sense, both geographically and therapeutically."

The deal, the largest acquisition yet in the over-the-counter drugs market, forms part of SB's aim to become the world's biggest consumer drugs business. It brings together Sterling Winthrop's branded products, such as Panadol and Andrews, with SB's Tums, Eno and Tagamet 100, and is SB's second major acquisition in four months. In May, SB announced the $2.3 billion purchase of Diversified Pharmaceuticals Services, an US pharmacy benefit manager.

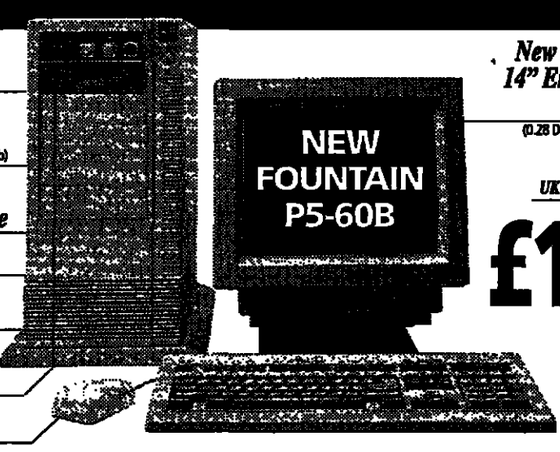
S&P agreed that the purchase of Sterling Winthrop was commercially sound, but raised concern about financial implications. Gearing will rise from less than 60 per cent to more than 300 per cent, and SB is making a £500 million restructuring charge to cover the costs of rationalising the combined businesses.

S&P said: "Whilst the acquisition will improve SB's business risk profile, it will have negative implications for the group's financial risk profile." SB's currently has a AA- long-term debt rating and a A-1+ commercial paper rating.

The City is expecting other deals in the pharmaceutical sector.

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Body Shop slides further on growing concern over US report

STOCK MARKET

SHARES of Anita Roddick's **Body Shop** tumbled 13p to a new low of 204p before publication in the US of a highly critical report about the company's ethical policies.

By the close, almost 800,000 shares had changed hands amid growing concern that publication of the article in the specialist magazine *Business Ethics* could prompt more selling, especially by US fund managers.

Earlier this month, Franklin Research and Development, America's leading ethical investor, sold its entire Body Shop holding before publication of the article and advised clients to do the same.

The magazine is expected to call into question the group's environmental policies, quality control and franchise system and accuse it of buying only a fraction of its range from Third World sources.

Elsewhere, share prices showed signs of running out of steam as an early assault on the 3,300 level faltered, undermined by renewed weakness in bonds and an uncertain start on Wall Street.

The FT-SE 100 index reversed an early 15-point lead to finish near its low for the day, off 15.5 at 3,249.6. Demand was subdued by the effects of the Bank Holiday weekend and the 12th round of the rail strike with only 550 million shares traded.

SmithKline Beecham 'A' clung on to a 7p lead at 465p after its £1.8 billion acquisition of Sterling Winthrop, the US over-the-counter drugs group. The deal makes SB the biggest over-the-counter drugs company in the world bringing together names like Panadol and Andrews Liver Salts with Eno and Tums. It is SB's second big acquisition this year. In May it paid £1.53 million for Diversified Pharmaceuticals.

Zeneca fell 7p to 845p despite receiving the go-ahead from the Italian authorities to market Merrem, its new injectable antibiotic. The market in Italy is believed to be worth £230 million a year.

Boots firmed 3p to 582p in the growing belief that the company has at last found a buyer for its pharmaceutical division. The business is believed to be worth up to £700 million. There is talk that shareholders will be rewarded with a special bonus once the deal has been completed.

The electricity distributors continued to make headway with double digit gains again commonplace. Sentiment was also boosted by talk that the Government will forgo its share of profits arising from the sale of the National Grid. **Southern** stood out with a rise of 21p to 834p on talk of a share buy-back. **Seeboard**, which recently did this, hardened 4p to 452p.

T&N fell 4p to 242p before its figures as whispers circulated in the Square Mile that the group plans another rights issue. Brokers say it wants the money for Kolbens Schmidt, of Germany.

Argyll, the Safeway supermarket chain, fell 9p to 306p partly reflecting the withdrawal of its own brand tonic water over the weekend. The group has also confirmed plans to sell 151 Presto and Lo-Cost stores across the country for almost £20 million to a consortium operating under the Spar name. Kwik Save, which had been tipped as the buyer, fell 10p to 633p.

Euro Disney touched 92p before recovering to close 3p off at 103p as 506,000 shares changed hands. The volatility in London followed hard on the heels of a sharp fall on the Paris Bourse in the past two days resulting in the temporary suspension of the shares. Dealers in both London and Paris attributed the fall to a sell recommendation from Banque Paribas, the broker.

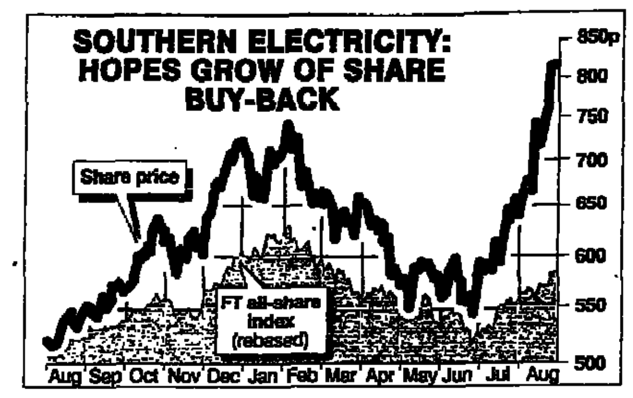
HunterPrint slid 1½p to 7½p after the company announced it had received a bid approach from Quebecor Printing. But the Corby printer said that the proposed terms were at a discount to Friday's closing priced.

Bensons Crisps slumped 14p to 44p after revealing deeper first half pre-tax losses of £1.69 million against £386,000 last time.

☐ **GILT-EDGED:** Gilts suffered a reversal of fortune with prices coming off along with other overseas bond markets. The September series of the Long Gilt finished nine ticks lower at £102³/₃₂ with 40,000 contracts completed. At the longer end of the cash market, Treasury 9 per cent 2012 fell £¹⁵/₃₂ to £105, while in shorts Treasury 9½ per cent 1999 were unchanged at £103²⁹/₃₂.

☐ **NEW YORK:** Shares were almost flat at midday, with the Dow Jones industrial average down 1.94 at 3,896.91.

MICHAEL CLARK



MARKETS AT A GLANCE

THE POUND

US $ .... 1.5323 (-0.0097)
German mark .... 2.4229 (+0.0135)
Exchange index .... 79.0 (-0.1)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

STOCK MARKET

FT-SE 100 .... 3249.6 (-15.5)
Dow Jones .... 3896.91 (-1.94)*
Nikkei Avg .... 20592.12 (-8.30)

INTEREST RATES

London Bank Base 5¼%
3-month Interbank 5¹⁵/₁₆-5¹³/₁₆%
US Federal Funds 4¹¹/₁₆%*
3-month Treas Bills 4.59-4.58%*
Long Bond 7.48%*

CURRENCIES

New York:	London:
£:$ ... 1.5351*	£:$ 1.5355
$:DM . 1.5771*	£:DM 2.4200
$:SWfr 1.3315*	£:SWfr 2.0422
$:Ffr . 5.4005*	£:Ffr 8.2860
$:Yen ...99.58*	£:Yen 152.91
£:SDR .. ...n/a	£:ECU 1.2666

London Forex market close

GOLD

London Fixing ($):
AM 386.15 .... PM 386.60
Close 386.40-386.90
New York:
Comex 387.85-388.35*

OIL

Brent Crude ... $16.35 per bbl (Oct)

RETAIL PRICES

RPI 144.0 July (2.3%) Jan 1987=100
* Denotes midday trading price

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.21	2.01
Austria Sch	18.04	16.54
Belgium Fr	53.06	48.66
Canada $	2.206	2.046
Cyprus Cyp£	0.772	0.722
Denmark Kr	10.20	9.40
Finland Mkk	8.45	7.75
France Fr	8.74	8.04
Germany Dm	2.58	2.37
Greece Dr	383.00	358.00
Hong Kong $	12.57	11.57
Ireland Pt	1.06	0.98
Italy Lira	2545.00	2390.00
Japan Yen	168.00	151.00
Malta	0.610	0.555
Netherlds Gld	2.870	2.640
Norway Kr	11.22	10.42
Portugal Esc	257.50	239.00
S Africa Rd	REF.	5.50
Spain Pta	208.50	194.50
Sweden Kr	12.50	11.70
Switzerland Fr	2.20	2.02
Turkey Lira	REFER	48243.0
USA $	1.633	1.503

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques. Rates as at close of trading yesterday.

Newcomer MAID gets 25% boost

BY MARTIN WALLER, DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

MAID, the on-line information service provider that floated in March amid some controversy, boosted its subscriber base by more than 25 per cent in the first half of 1994. Dan Wagner, the chief executive, told shareholders in his first set of figures since the float.

In the first six months MAID added more than 130 new customers, taking the total to 630. In addition, the proportion of revenues coming from usage of MAID's information systems, rather than straight subscription fees, gained 5 percentage points to 56 per cent, indicating that existing subscribers are using the systems more.

The company was announcing a rise in pre-tax profits from £207,000 to £440,000 in the six months to June. This figure was swollen by interest from the £11.5 million proceeds of sale, and a better comparison is a 36 per cent advance in operating profits to £368,000.

MAID ended the half year with net cash of £10.7 million, after a slowdown in the expected rate of capital spending caused, said Mr Wagner, by technical developments in computer hardware.

Earnings per share, adjusted for changes in the capital structure after the flotation, were ahead by 63 per cent to 0.39p. The company is still on course for a first dividend payment in 1996, in respect of the 1995 financial year. Mr Wagner said the company historically saw revenues and profits higher in the second half, and 1994 was on course to repeat this seasonality. Hoare Govett, MAID's own broker, is forecasting a £1.2 million figure pre-tax for the whole year. The shares, unchanged at 74p yesterday, are still well below the 110p at which the company was floated. Mr Wagner said that even after the "negative publicity" then, which he blamed on the actions of competitors, the price had been held back by sales by former BES investors sitting on huge profits.

Before the flotation, about 30 per cent of the company was held by BES investors. Mr Wagner said: "We feel that a lot of the people who are willing to sell have now gone. The business is moving ahead very, very positively."

ROBIN MAYES



Andrew Laing, left, with fellow director John Clench

Lombard exceeds earnings forecast

BY SARAH BAGNALL
INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

LOMBARD Insurance, which listed on the stock market in May, beat its flotation forecasts with a profit of £9.14 million for the year to June 30. The group forecast £8.65 million pre-tax when it floated at 160p a share. Yesterday, the shares rose 3p, to 181p. Lombard is paying a dividend of 1.58p, as forecast.

Andrew Laing, the managing director, said: "The six-month period to June 30 has been excellent for the group. Lombard continued to benefit from increased rates which were applied during 1992 and 1993, and also maintained tight expenditure controls."

As a result, the insurer made a £3.14 million underwriting profit in the second half, compared with a loss of £19,000 last time. This took the full-year underwriting profit to £6.2 million, compared with the £5.7 million forecast at flotation. Investment income held steady at £2.9 million, in spite of second-half realised investment losses of £1.3 million.

Lombard said the toughest competition was in household insurance, which as a result failed to reach growth targets. This year, the insurer has concentrated on growing its commercial business.

WALL STREET

	Aug 30 midday	Aug 29 close
AMP Inc	72¼	72¾
AMR Corp	58⅞	58⅛
AT & T	53¾	55¾
Abbott Labs	30⅛	30⅜
Aetna Life	50⅛	50⅜
Ahmanson (HF)	22	21½
Air Prod & Chem	49½	49½
Albertson's	28⅜	28⅜
Alcan Aluminm	25⅞	25⅞
Alco Standard	65⅜	65¼
Allied Signal	37⅜	37⅜
Alum Co of Am	81¾	81¾
Amax Gold Inc	6⅞	6⅞
Amerada Hess	49⅞	49⅞
Amer Brands	36⅝	37⅛
Amer Cyanamid	96⅜	96⅜
Amer El Power	31¾	31¾
Amer Express	28⅜	28⅜
Amer Genl Corp	29⅝	30⅛
Amer Home Pr	59⅞	59⅞
Amer Intl	93⅞	94¼
Amer Stores	24⅞	24⅞
Ameritech	42⅜	41⅞
Amoco	57⅞	57⅝
Anheuser-Busch	53⅜	53⅜
Apple Computer	35⅜	35⅜
Archer Daniels	25½	25⅜
Armco	6⅞	6⅜
Armstrong Wrld	49⅜	49⅛
Asarco	29⅞	30⅜
Ashland Oil	37⅛	37⅝
Atl Richfield	106⅛	105⅜
Auto Data Pro	53⅜	53⅞
Avery Dennison	34¾	34⅞
Avon Products	61	60⅞
Baker Hughes	18⅛	18⅜
Baltim Gas & El	23⅜	23
Banc One	34⅞	35⅞
BankAmerica	49	48⅞
Bank of NY	32⅛	32½
Bankers Tr NY	71¾	71¾
Barnett Banks	47⅛	47
Bausch & Lomb	39⅜	39⅜
Baxter Intl	28⅜	28⅜
Bectn Dickinsn	43⅞	43⅞
Bell Atlantic	54⅜	54⅜
BellSouth	59⅜	59⅞
Black & Decker	22⅜	22½
Block (H&R)	44	43⅜
Boeing	45⅜	45⅜
Boise Cascade	28⅜	27⅞
Borden Inc	11¾	11¾
Bristol Myrs Sq	56⅜	56⅜
Browning Ferris	32⅜	32⅜
Brunswick	22⅜	22⅜
Burlington Nthn	51¾	51¾
CBS	323⅞	319
CNA Financial	61¾	62
CPC Intl	52⅞	52⅜
CSX	76⅜	76⅜
Campbell Soup	38⅜	39⅞
Can Pacific	17⅜	17⅞
Cpd Cities ABC	82	83⅞
Carolina Pwr	26⅞	26⅜
Caterpillar	114¾	115⅜
Central & SW	22⅜	22⅜
Champion Intl	36⅜	36⅜
Chase Manhat	38	37½
Chemical Bk	39⅜	39⅜
Chevron Corp	42⅜	42⅜
Chrysler	48⅜	48⅜
Chubb Corp	73⅜	73⅞
Cigna Corp	67⅞	67⅜
Citicorp	44⅜	44⅜
Clorox	51¾	52⅞
Coastal Corp	30⅞	31
Coca Cola	46⅜	46¼
Colgate-Palmolive	57⅜	57⅜
Columbia Gas	27⅜	26⅜
Commonw Ed	22⅜	22⅞
Compaq Comp	38⅞	39
Comp Ass Int	39⅞	39⅞
Conagra	32⅜	33
Cons Edison	27⅜	27⅞
Cons Nat Gas	40⅞	40⅞
Cons Rail	54⅞	55⅜
Cooper Inds	39⅜	38⅞
Corning Inc	30⅜	30⅜
Crown Cork	36⅜	36⅜
Dana Corp	28¼	28⅞
Dayton Hudson	85⅜	85⅞
Deere	73⅜	73⅜
Delta Air Lines	49⅜	49⅜
Deluxe Corp	30⅞	31¾
Detroit Edison	27⅛	27⅜
Digital Equip	24⅜	24⅜
Dillard Dept St	28	27⅜
Disney (Walt)	42⅜	42⅞
Dominion Res	37⅜	37⅛
Donelley (RR)	29⅜	30
Dover Corp	58⅜	58⅜
Dow Chemical	73⅞	73⅞
Dow Jones	31⅜	31⅛
Dresser	20⅞	20
Duke Power	38⅞	38⅞
Dun & Bradstreet	57⅜	57⅜
Du Pont	60⅜	61
Eastman Kodak	50⅜	50⅜
Eaton Corp	51¾	50⅜
Emerson Elec	63⅛	63⅜

	Aug 30 midday	Aug 29 close
Engelhard Corp	27	27⅛
Enron Corp	30⅛	30⅜
Entergy	24⅛	24⅛
Ethyl Corp	11⅛	11⅜
Exxon	59⅞	59⅜
FMC Corp	58⅜	58⅜
FPL Group	32	31¾
Federal Express	69⅜	69⅛
Fed Nat Mtge	88⅜	88⅞
First Chicago	51¾	51¾
First Interstate	80	80⅜
First Union Rlty	6½	6½
Fleet Finl Grp	39⅞	39⅞
Fluor Corp	53⅞	53⅛
Ford Motor	30⅜	30⅜
GTE Corp	31⅛	32
Gannett	50⅜	50½
Gap Inc Del	43⅞	43⅜
Gen Dynamics	44⅜	44½
Gen Electric	49⅜	50⅛
Gen Mills	54	54
Gen Motors	51¼	51¼
Gen Reinsurance	112	112¼
Gen Signal	35⅞	37⅛
Genuine Parts	36½	36⅛
Georgia Pac	73⅛	72⅜
Gillette	71¾	70⅜
Glaxo ADR	19⅜	20⅜
Goodrich (BF)	46⅜	46⅜
Goodyear Tire	35⅜	35
Grace (W&R)	39⅞	40
Grt Atl Pac Tea	23⅜	23⅜
Great Wstn Fin	20⅜	20⅜
Halliburton	30⅞	30
Harcourt General	33⅜	34¾
Heinz (HJ)	39⅞	37¾
Hercules	106⅜	106⅜
Hershey Foods	46⅜	46
Hewlett Packard	89⅞	90
Hilton Hotels	59⅞	60⅜
Home Depot	45⅜	45⅜
Homestake Mng	18⅞	18⅜
Honeywell	35½	35
Household Intl	38⅜	38⅜
Houston Inds	35	34⅞
Humana	21¾	21¾
ITT Corp	82	81¾
Illinois Tool	44½	44⅞
Illinova	20½	20⅞
INCO	28½	28⅜
Ingersoll Rand	37⅛	38⅜
Inland Steel	40⅜	39⅛
Intel Corp	66⅞	66⅜
IBM	69⅜	69⅜
Intl Flav & Fr	44⅜	43⅞
Intl Paper	74⅜	74⅜
James River Va	22⅜	22½
Jhnsn & Jhnsn	49⅜	49⅜
Kellogg	56⅞	57⅜
Kerr-McGee	48⅜	48⅜
Kimberly-Clark	59	59
Kmart	17	17⅛
Knight-Ridder	51⅜	52
Lilly (Eli)	55⅜	55⅜
Limited Inc	20	19⅞
LIN Brdcstng	135½	135
Lincoln Nat	38⅜	39⅜
Litton	39	37½
Liz Claiborne	20¾	20⅞
Lockheed	74⅜	69⅜
Louisiana Pac	35	34⅛
MCI Comm	24⅜	24
Marriott Int	29⅜	30⅜
Marsh & McLnn	85⅜	85⅞
Masco Corp	27⅜	28
May Dept St	41¾	41¾
Maytag Corp	18⅞	18⅜
McCaw Cellular	54⅜	54⅜
McDonalds	28	27⅜
McDonnell D	118⅜	117⅜
McGraw Hill	69⅜	69⅜
Mead Corp	49⅜	49
Medtronic	96½	96⅜
Mellon Bk	59	58⅜
Melville Corp	37½	37½
Merck Inc	33⅞	34
Merrill Lynch	38⅜	38⅞
Minnesota Mine	55	55⅞
Mobil Corp	83⅞	83⅜
Monsanto	82⅜	83⅛
Morgan (JP)	65⅜	65
Motorola Inc	53½	54⅜
Natl Medical	18⅜	18⅜
Natl Semi	19⅜	19⅜
Natl Service Ind	26⅜	27
Navistar Int	15⅜	15⅜
NBD Bancorp	31¾	31¾
NY Times A	24½	24⅞
Newmont Mng	41¾	41¾
Niag Mohawk	15⅜	15
Nike B	64⅜	64⅜
NL Industries	9⅜	9⅜
Noram Energy	6⅜	6
Nordstrom	46	46⅜
Norfolk Sthrn	63	62⅜
Nthn State Pwr	43⅜	42⅜
Norwest Corp	26⅞	27⅜
Nynex Corp	38⅜	38⅜
Occidental Pet	21¾	21¾
Ohio Edison	19⅛	19⅛

	Aug 30 midday	Aug 29 close
Oracle Systems	43⅜	43⅜
Oryx Energy Co	14⅜	14⅜
Owens Corning	35⅜	35⅜
PNC Financial	28	28
PPG Industries	41¼	40⅜
Paccar Inc	49⅛	49⅛
Pacificorp	17⅜	17⅜
Pac Enterprises	21⅛	21⅛
Pac Gas & Elect	24⅜	24⅜
Pac Telesis	33	33
Pall Corp	17⅜	17⅜
Panhandle East	22	21⅛
Parker Hannifin	42⅜	42⅜
Peco Energy	27⅛	27⅜
Penney (JC)	52	51⅜
Pennzoil	51⅛	51⅛
Pepsico	33⅛	33⅛
Pfizer	68⅜	69
Phelps Dodge	61¼	62⅛
Philip Morris	58⅞	58⅜
Phillips Pet	32⅜	33⅜
Pitney Bowes	38⅛	38
Polaroid	34⅞	34⅜
PriceCostco	15⅛	15
Procter & Gmbl	60⅛	59⅜
Pub Serv E & G	28	28
Quaker Oats	80⅛	82⅛
Ralston Purina	40⅛	39⅜
Raychem Corp	41¼	41⅜
Raytheon	67⅛	66⅜
Reebok Intl	36⅜	36⅜
Reynolds Metals	52⅜	52
Roadway Srvcs	63⅜	65⅛
Rockwell Intl	36⅛	35⅜
Rohm & Haas	62⅜	63⅜
Royal Dutch	112⅜	112⅜
Rubbermaid	27⅛	27⅛
Safeco Corp	54⅜	54⅜
St Paul's Cos	42⅜	42⅛
Salomon Inc	43⅜	43⅜
Santa Fe Pac	21⅛	15⅛
Sara Lee Corp	22⅛	22⅛
Scecorp	13⅜	13⅜
Schering Plough	69⅜	70⅛
Schlumberger	57⅜	58⅛
Scott Paper	65⅜	65⅜
Seagram	31¼	31¼
Sears Roebuck	47	46⅜
Shell Trans	68⅛	68⅜
Sherwin Wllms	32⅜	32⅜
Skyline Corp	19⅜	18⅜
Snap-On-Tools	36⅛	39⅛
Southern Co	18⅜	19
Sthwestern Bell	41¼	41⅜
Sprint Corp	39⅜	40
Stanley Works	42⅛	43
Sun Company	27⅜	27⅜
Sun Microsys	27⅜	27⅜
Suntrust	51⅜	50⅜
Supervalu	29⅜	30⅜
Syntex Corp	24	23⅞
Sysco Corp	25⅜	25⅜
TRW Inc	73⅜	72⅜
TCC Inds	3	3
Tandem Comp	15⅜	15
Tandy Corp	40⅜	40⅜
Teledyne	17⅜	17⅜
Temple Inland	54⅜	53⅜
Tenneco	47⅜	47
Texaco	62⅜	62⅜
Texas Inst	82⅜	81⅜
Texas Utilities	33	33
Textron	56	55⅜
Time Warner	38	37⅜
Times-Mirror	32⅜	33
Timken	39⅜	38⅜
Torchmark	42⅜	42⅜
Toys R Us	37	37
Transamerica	53⅜	52⅜
Travelers	36⅜	36⅜
Tribune	53⅜	54⅜
Tyco Labs	44⅜	44⅜
UST Inc	31⅜	31
UAL	101	100⅜
USX Marathon	17⅜	17⅜
Unilever NV	114⅜	115
Union Camp	50⅜	50
Union Carbide	34⅜	33⅜
Union Pacific	57⅜	57⅜
Unisys Corp	10⅜	10⅜
USAIR Group	6⅜	6⅜
USF&G Corp	13⅜	13⅜
US Life	35⅜	35⅜
US West	39⅜	39⅜
United Tech	63⅜	63⅜
Unocal Corp	28⅜	28
Upjohn	36	36⅜
VF Corp	52⅜	52⅜
WMX Tech	29⅜	29⅜
Wal-Mart Stores	24⅜	24⅜
Warner-Lambert	81⅜	81⅜
Wells Fargo	159⅜	159⅜
Westinghouse El	13⅜	13⅜
Weyerhaeuser	44⅜	43⅜
Whirlpool	54⅜	53⅜
Whitman	17⅜	17⅜
Winn Dixie	52⅜	52⅜
Woolworth	16⅜	15⅜
Wrigley (Wm) Jr	41⅜	41⅜
Xerox	108⅜	109⅜

RECENT ISSUES

Aromascan	94	...
Bail Giff Shn Npn Wts	81	...
Beacon Inv Tst (100)	102	...
Beacon Inv Tst Wts	48	...
Carnell (18)	34	+1½
Chamberlain Phipps (165)	168	...
Copyright Prmtns (120)	126	...
Freeport Leisure	68	...
IMC Inds Wrts	1½	...
INVESCO Japan Dsc	92	...
INVESCO Japan Dsc Wts	47½	...
JF Fledge Japan Wts	66	...
Magnum Power	43	+4
Old Mutual SA (100)	93½	...
Old Mutual SA Wts	41	...
Orbis (23)	29	...
Panther Wts	17	...
Petroceltic	40	...
Pillar Property Inv(150)	160	-1
Suter Wts 99/04	41	...
TR Euro Gwth Ptg Sb (100)	105	...
Tops Estates Wts	30	...

RIGHTS ISSUES

Gibbs Mew n/p (340)	52	...
Raglan Properties n/p (32)	1	...

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:		FALLS:	
L Joseph	425p (+20p)	Commercial Union	554p (-9p)
Nat Aust Bank	531p (+21p)	Carlton Comm	858p (-9p)
Provident	523p (+10p)	Cardiff Prop	268p (-10p)
Royal Bank Scot	416p (+10p)	BAT	437p (-10p)
Macdn Martin 'A'	638p (+10p)	Body Shop	205p (-13p)
Woodside	237p (+12p)	Kwik Save	633p (-10p)
J Smurfit	426p (+11p)	Glaxo	649p (-9p)
Smith New Court	429p (+9p)		
Security Serv	776p (+22p)		

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FT-SE VOLUMES

ASDA Gp	4,700	Caradon	2,200	Legal & Gn	542	Scot Power	2,100
Abbey Natl	1,800	Carlton Cms	681	Lloyds Bk	2,400	Sears	1,300
Alld-Lyons	1,800	Coats Vyla	703	MEPC	964	Svrn Trent	1,400
Argyll Gp	9,000	Cm Union	778	Marks Spr	1,500	Shell Trans	1,200
Arjo Wiggn	603	Courtaulds	216	NFC	545	Siebe	1,300
ABrit Foods	146	De La Rue	181	NatWst Bk	5,300	SmKl Bch	6,300
BAA	1,000	Eastern Elec	2,900	Nat Power	3,600	Smith Nph	306
BAT Inds	3,200	Enterpr Oil	238	Nth Wst W	1,600	Sthern Elec	1,300
BOC	221	Forte	1,400	P & O	527	Sid Chard	1,500
BP	5,500	GKN	1,000	Pearson	959	Sun Allnce	1,100
BTR	5,200	GRE	3,200	PowerGen	2,500	TI Gp	738
BT	10,000	GUS	2,300	Prudential	1,300	TSB	4,400
Bk of Scot	345	Gen Acc	941	RMC	558	Tesco	8,500
Barclays	5,300	Gen Elec	3,900	RTZ	1,500	Thames W	475
Bass	643	Glaxo	3,100	Rank Org	1,200	Thrn EMI	1,500
Blue Circle	1,300	Granada	3,200	Reckitt Col	644	Tomkins	3,300
Boots	3,700	Grand Met	1,600	Redland	450	Unilever	1,800
Bowater	918	Guinness	3,300	Reed Intl	2,800	Utd Bisc	311
Brit Aero	1,400	HSBC	2,200	Rentokil	2,500	Vodafone	8,100
Brit Airwys	2,400	Hanson	7,600	Reuters	1,400	Warburg (SG)	660
Brit Gas	6,200	ICI	487	Rolls Royce	1,500	Wellcome	1,100
Brit Steel	4,900	Inchcape	526	Ryl Ins	1,500	Whitbread	517
Burmah Cstl	717	Kingfisher	774	Ryl Bk Scot	3,800	Wlms Hld	2,300
Cable Wire	5,100	Ladbroke	1,000	Sainsbury	4,500	Wolseley	307
Cadbury	1,300	Land Secs	1,100	Scot & New	1,400	Zeneca	901

MAJOR INDICES

New York (midday):
Dow Jones .... 3896.91 (-1.94)
S&P Composite .... 474.02 (-0.57)

Tokyo:
Nikkei Av'ge .... 20592.12 (-8.30)

Hong Kong:
Hang Seng .... 9686.56 (+287.48)

Amsterdam:
EOE Index .... 431.00 (-3.60)

Sydney: AO .... 2116.5 (+4.6)

Frankfurt:
DAX .... 2210.85 (+17.66)

FT 30 share: .... 2539.9 (-12.1)

Brussels:
General .... 7638.76 (+6.76)

Paris: CAC-40 .... 2060.37 (-14.90)

Zurich: SKA Gen .... 671.80 (-0.10)

London:
FT A All-Share .... 1625.57 (-4.76)
FT Non Financials .... 1766.64 (-5.96)
FT Gold Mines .... 250.8 (+3.8)
FT Fixed Interest .... 109.84 (+0.46)
FT Govt Secs .... 91.74 (-0.29)
Bargains 35520
SEAQ Volume 550.3m
USM (Datastrm) .... 160.95 (+0.49)

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

Dealings From	Dealings To	Final Declaration	For Settlement
August 22	September 9	November 24	December 8

Call options were taken out on 30/8/94: J Bibby, Boustead, National Home Loan, National Home Loan Prf, Tullow Oil.
Put: Bodyshop.
Put & Call: Eclipse Blinds.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100	Sep 94	3287.0	3287.0	3253.0	3263.0	8327
Previous open interest: 61423	Dec 94	3295.0	3298.5	3274.0	3277.0	1044
Three Month Sterling	Sep 94	94.25	94.30	94.24	94.29	7137
Previous open interest: 538601	Dec 94	93.37	93.43	93.34	93.43	16538
	Mar 95	92.69	92.74	92.65	92.74	5028
Three Mth Eurodollar	Sep 94				94.95	0
Previous open interest: 6657	Dec 94				94.30	0
Three Mth Euro DM	Sep 94	95.03	95.05	95.00	95.05	7931
Previous open interest: 785325	Dec 94	94.85	94.90	94.83	94.90	20086
Long Gilt	Sep 94	102-10	102-12	101-20	102-03	40467
Previous open interest: 107235	Dec 94	102-02	102-02	101-06	101-20	34114
Japanese Govmt Bond	Sep 94	107.51	107.55	107.50	107.55	408
	Dec 94	106.46	106.58	106.46	106.53	2293
German Gov Bd Bund	Sep 94	91.90	92.04	91.60	91.98	68733
Previous open interest: 157819	Dec 94	91.17	91.22	90.89	91.16	10344
German Gov Bd Bobl	Sep 94				97.52	0
Previous open interest: 76	Dec 94					0
Three month ECU	Sep 94	94.02	94.11	94.02	94.10	661
Previous open interest: 24545	Dec 94	93.51	93.60	93.51	93.59	506
Euro Swiss Franc	Sep 94	95.63	95.69	95.63	95.69	1547
Previous open interest: 50713	Dec 94	95.36	95.38	95.36	95.38	1986
Italian Govmt Bond	Sep 94	99.15	99.88	98.55	99.81	33331
Previous open interest: 87510	Dec 94	97.40	98.28	97.00	98.20	6481

STERLING RATES

Exchange index compared with 1985 was up at 79.0 (day's range 79.0-79.1).

Mkt Rates for Aug 30	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	2.7154-2.7252	2.7154-2.7188	¹/₈pr-¹/₈ds	¹/₂-¹/₄pr
Brussels	49.86-50.03	49.93-50.03	1-3ds	3-4ds
Copenhagen	9.5790-9.6140	9.5820-9.5970	¹/₄-1ds	1⁵/₈-3¹/₈ds
Dublin	1.0120-1.0155	1.0123-1.0151	4-7ds	15-22ds
Frankfurt	2.4183-2.4279	2.4183-2.4216	¹/₈pr-par	³/₈-¹/₄pr
Lisbon	246.27-247.45	246.82-247.45	128-139ds	344-382ds
Madrid	200.77-201.51	201.13-201.42	45-51ds	114-131ds
Milan	2429.50-2458.00	2429.50-2433.50	6-8ds	18-21ds
Montreal	2.0939-2.1011	2.0981-2.1011	0.01-0.11ds	0.01-0.13ds
New York	1.5330-1.5360	1.5350-1.5360	0.03-0.02pr	0.22-0.18pr
Oslo	10.6180-10.6530	10.6180-10.6340	¹/₄-³/₄ds	¹/₂-1¹/₂ds
Paris	8.2790-8.3090	8.2790-8.2930	¹/₄-³/₄ds	¹/₈-¹/₂ds
Stockholm	11.8600-11.9070	11.8810-11.9050	2-2³/₄ds	5³/₄-6⁷/₈ds
Tokyo	152.76-153.53	152.77-153.04	³/₈-¹/₄pr	1¹/₄-1¹/₈pr
Vienna	17.03-17.10	17.03-17.07	³/₄-¹/₂pr	3³/₄-1¹/₂pr
Zurich	2.0407-2.0510	2.0407-2.0437	¹/₄-¹/₈pr	³/₄-¹/₂pr

Source: Extel. Premium = pr. Discount = ds.

OTHER STERLING

Argentina peso*	1.5316-1.4342
Australia dollar	2.0614-2.0635
Bahrain dinar	0.5725-0.5845
Brazil real*	1.3584-1.3624
Cyprus pound	0.7275-0.7375
Finland markka	7.7720-7.8880
Greece drachma	364.00-371.00
Hong Kong dollar	11.8501-11.8555
India rupee	47.66-48.64
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4530-0.4630
Malaysia ringgit	3.9127-3.9168
Mexico peso	5.10-5.20
New Zealand dollar	2.5443-2.5502
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.6945-5.8205
Singapore dollar	2.2990-2.3021
S Africa rand (fin)	6.9580-7.0095
S Africa rand (com)	5.4966-5.5049
U A E dirham	5.5755-5.6995

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OTHER DOLLAR

Australia	1.3446-1.3455
Austria	11.11-11.12
Belgium (Com)	32.51-32.55
Canada	1.3680-1.3685
Denmark	6.2517-6.2537
France	5.4047-5.4077
Germany	1.5797-1.5802
Hong Kong	7.7275-7.7285
Ireland	1.5123-1.5138
Italy	1594.00-1595.00
Japan	99.65-99.75
Malaysia	2.5520-2.5530
Netherlands	1.7737-1.7742
Norway	6.9295-6.9315
Portugal	160.82-160.92
Singapore	1.4995-1.5005
Spain	131.02-131.12
Sweden	7.7366-7.7441
Switzerland	1.3345-1.3355

MONEY MARKET RATES

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 5¼ Finance Hse 5½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 4½ Low 2½ Week fixed: 4⁵/₁₆
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth 5⁵/₁₆; 3 mth 5⁵/₁₆. Sell: 2 mth 5⁵/₁₆; 3 mth: 5¼.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	4⁷/₈-4¹³/₁₆	5¹/₈-5¹/₁₆	5⁵/₁₆-5⁷/₁₆	5¹¹/₁₆-5¹¹/₁₆	
Sterling Money Rates:					
Interbank:	5-4¼	5⅛-5⅛	5⁵/₁₆-5⁷/₁₆	5¹¹/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆	6⅜-6¼
	5-4¼	5¼-5⅛	5⁹/₁₆-5⁷/₁₆	5¹³/₁₆-5¹¹/₁₆	6¼-6⅛

Overnight: open 4¼, close 2½.

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Local Authority Deps:	4⁷/₈	n/a	5¼	5⅞	6⅜
Sterling CDs:	4¹⁵/₁₆-4⁷/₈	5¹/₈-5¹/₁₆	5⁷/₁₆-5⅜	5¹³/₁₆-5¹¹/₁₆	6¹¹/₁₆-6¹¹/₁₆
Dollar CDs:	4.76-4.73	n/a	4.87-4.84	5.20-5.17	5.74-5.71
Building Society CDs:	4¹⁵/₁₆-4⅞	5⅛-5¼	5¹⁵/₁₆-5⁹/₁₆	5¾-5⅝	6⅜-6¼

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: Aug 31, 1994 Agreed rates Sep 26, 1994 to Oct 25, 1994 Scheme III: 6.82 %. Reference rate July 30, 1994 to Aug 31, 1994 Scheme IV & V: 5.578 %.

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	4⅜-4¼	4⅞-4⅝	5-4⅞	5⁵/₁₆-5³/₁₆	4⅜-3⅞
Deutschemark:	4¹⁵/₁₆-4¹³/₁₆	4¹⁵/₁₆-4¹³/₁₆	5-4⅞	5¹/₁₆-4¹⁵/₁₆	5-4
French Franc:	5¹/₁₆-5¹⁵/₁₆	5⅜-5¼	5⅝-5½	5¹⁵/₁₆-5¹³/₁₆	5⅜-4⅞
Swiss Franc:	4¼-3¾	4¼-4⅛	4⅝-4½	4¾-4⅝	4¼-3½
Yen:	2¼-2	2⅜-2¼	2⅜-2¼	2½-2⅜	2¼-1¾

GOLD

Bullion: Open $386.35-386.75 Close: $386.40-386.90 High: $386.40-386.90
Low: $385.80-386.30 Krugerrand: $388.50-390.50 (£254.00-256.00)
Sovereigns: Old $90.50-92.50 (£58.75-60.75). New $90.50-92.50 (£58.75-60.75)
Platinum: $411.75 (£268.60) Silver: $5.40 (£3.525) Palladium: $151.75 (£99.00)

LIFFE OPTIONS

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Alld Lyon.	589	52	—	—	6	—	—
(*627)	638	20½	—	—	24½	—	—
Argyll	300	19	25½	35½	11½	19	24
(*306½)	330	6½	13	22½	29	35½	41
ASDA	60	10	12	13½	2	3½	5
(*67½)	70	4	6½	8	6	8	9½
Boots	550	44	53	66½	7	16½	23½
(*582)	600	15½	26	40	30	40½	47
Br Airways	390	36½	40	50	6½	14½	20
(*415)	420	—	29	40½	18½	28	34
BP	390	34½	43	50	5½	13	17
(*414)	420	15	25	33½	17½	25½	30½
Br Steel	160	8½	12½	19	7½	11½	14
(*160)	180	2½	6	10	22	24	26
C & W	460	34½	47	58½	13½	24½	30½
(*477)	500	16	28½	38	35	45½	51
CU	550	25	40½	49	15½	23½	35
(*555)	600	5½	17½	26½	49½	53½	66
ICI	800	57	77	89	11½	24½	39
(*843)	850	26	45½	60½	33	47	63½
Kingfshr	550	24½	41	55	23½	32½	38½
(*553)	600	7	20½	32	59½	62½	68
Land Sec	600	50	59	69	4	11½	14½
(*640)	650	16	27½	39	22	33	35½
M & S	420	18	29	37½	11	18	23
(*425)	460	3½	12	20	37½	43	46
Nat West	460	49½	62½	67½	6	12½	22½
(*497)	500	22	38	44	21	28	41
Sainsbury	420	40½	49	58½	6½	16½	21½
(*449)	460	16	27	37	24½	34½	40
Shell	700	51	62	70	6½	14½	24½
(*745)	750	16	32	41	29	37	49½
Smkl Bch	460	26	36	46	16½	26	32½
(*465)	500	6	18½	27½	42½	50	56½
Storehse	220	12½	17½	22½	8½	12½	17
(*221)	240	4½	8½	13½	22½	25	29
Trafalgar	90	7½	11	14½	5½	8½	11½
(*91)	100	3½	6½	10½	12	15½	17½
Unilever	1100	70	89	104	10½	27	42
(*1145)	1150	36	59½	73½	32½	45	59½
Zeneca	800	54	71½	82½	12½	22½	37½
(*845)	850	23½	43	55	35	45½	63

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Grnd Met	420	39½	46	53½	11½	18½	24
(*442)	460	17	24½	33½	30	39	44
Ladbroke	160	16½	22	26½	8½	11½	14½
(*167)	180	7	13½	18	21	23½	26½
Utd Bisc	330	25	32	37	12	17	25
(*343)	360	9½	18½	23½	29	33½	42½

August 30, 1994 Tot: 19011 Call: 10731 Put: 7280 FT-SE Call: 3237 Put: 2549
*Underlying security price.

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
BAA	500	30½	36½	47	11	16	20½
(*514)	550	15	23	32½	22½	28½	32½
Thames W	500	59	65½	72	4	13½	16
(*549)	550	25	34	42	18½	32½	30½

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
BAT Ind	420	35	47	53	13½	17	27
(*437)	460	15	26½	32	34½	38	49
BTR	390	17½	25½	30½	18	23½	29½
(*391)	420	6½	13	18	38½	42	49
Br Aero	460	46	58	67½	20½	28½	37½
(*483)	500	23	37	48	41½	50½	58½
Br Telcm	390	20	25½	33	14	22	25
(*392)	420	8	13	20½	33	41	43½
Cadbury	460	34½	46	51	9½	15½	24
(*484)	500	14	25½	31	31	36½	44½
Guinness	460	45	56	61½	7	13	19
(*495)	500	19	31	37½	25	30½	37½
GEC	300	20½	25	30½	5½	13	15½
(*308)	330	7	11½	16½	26½	30	32
Hanson	240	25	29	31½	4	8	11
(*258)	260	12	17	20½	12	17	20
LASMO	154	12½	—	—	10	—	—
(*155)	180	4½	7½	11	29½	31	32
Lucas	180	25	28½	31	5½	8½	12
(*199)	200	12	16½	20½	15	18	22
Pilkingtn	180	22	24	28½	4½	8	11
(*198)	200	9	12½	17½	13½	18½	21
Prudential	330	15	23½	28½	16½	30½	29
(*331)	360	6	12	16½	37½	39½	48
Redland	500	57½	66½	72½	8	15	25
(*548)	550	25½	37½	45½	30	37	50½
Royal Ins	280	30½	38½	43	11	14½	19
(*296)	300	18½	28	33	21	23	29½
Tesco	240	18	26	30	8½	13	17
(*251)	260	9½	14	20½	19½	23	27½
Vodafone	200	15	19½	24½	9½	13½	16
(*204)	217	7	12½	—	19	23	—
Williams	354	18½	—	—	14	—	—
(*361)	384	7	—	—	34	—	—

FT-SE INDEX (*3251½)

	3150	3200	3250	3300	3350	3400
Calls						
Sep	123	83	49	23	8	3
Oct	145	109	81	57	38	24
Nov	170	136	107	81	60	43
Dec	192	159	129	103	81	62
Jun	—	258	—	202	—	158
Puts						
Sep	8½	19	35	62	103	153
Oct	35	49	71	97	129	166
Nov	52	68	89	113	143	178
Dec	67	85	105	129	158	190
Jun	—	149	—	193	—	248

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Abby Nat	390	17	30½	38½	8	19½	25
(*397)	420	4	16	23½	27½	32½	42
Amstrad	30	3½	4½	6	1½	3	3½
(*31)	35	1½	2½	3½	4½	6½	7½
Barclays	550	41	60	70	4	13½	22
(*586)	600	12½	30	42	24½	35½	46
Blue Circ	300	16	27	35	7	14½	21
(*310)	330	3½	13½	22	27½	32½	38
Br Gas	300	13	19	24	5½	15½	17½
(*305)	330	2	7½	12	26½	35½	37
Dixons	200	19	27	30½	3½	8½	13
(*214)	220	7	16	19½	12	17½	23½
Forte	240	11	17	23½	6½	14	18
(*242)	260	3½	8½	15	20	26½	30
Hillsdwn	180	10½	15	21	5	9½	12
(*184)	200	2½	6	12	19½	23	24½
Lonrho	130	10½	16	19	3½	7	10½
(*136)	140	4½	10½	14	8½	12½	15½
Sears	110	12	14	17	1½	3½	5½
(*119)	120	4½	7½	11	4½	7½	10½
Thrn Emi	1000	49½	78½	92½	12	29½	45½
(*1031)	1050	20	51	65	35	53½	69
Tomkins	240	12	21	25½	5	11	15
(*246)	260	3½	11½	15½	17½	22½	26½
TSB	200	20½	26½	30½	2	5½	11
(*217)	220	6½	15	18½	8½	14½	20½
Wellcome	700	38½	65	84	15½	33	45
(*720)	750	14½	39½	58	43½	60	70½

	Series	Calls Oct	Calls Jan	Calls Apr	Puts Oct	Puts Jan	Puts Apr
Glaxo	600	57	68	77	16	28	39½
(*648)	650	23	42	51	41	53½	63
HSBC	700	52½	70	66½	27½	45½	68
(*729)	750	29½	57	72½	55	71½	95½
Reuter	5125	25½	—	—	18	—	—
(*516.5)	5250	19	—	—	25	—	—

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
R-Royce	180	23	28	31	5	9½	11½
(*197)	200	11	16½	20	14	17½	21½

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Fisons	140	14½	17½	19½	2½	6½	9
(*150)	160	3	6½	10½	12½	19	21

	Series	Calls Nov	Calls Feb	Calls May	Puts Nov	Puts Feb	Puts May
Eastrn Elc	850	59½	72	87	42	50½	60
(*855)	900	32½	49	64	69	78	87

	Series	Calls Sep	Calls Dec	Calls Mar	Puts Sep	Puts Dec	Puts Mar
Natl Pwr	500	29	41½	53	8½	22	25½
(*516)	550	5	18½	32½	37½	49½	52½
Scot Pwr	420	25½	40½	45	8	16	22
(*434)	460	6½	22	26½	30½	37½	43

COMMODITIES

GNI REPORT: LCE coffee gapped up again as the market attempted to catch up with stronger New York prices. The fundamental driving force is still the weather in Brazil, which is now predicted to be hot and dry through next week, increasing stress on the already damaged coffee trees. Technically, New York has consolidated above $2.00 basis Dec, which will lend support to London in the short term.

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE

COCOA

Sep	990-988	Dec	1103-1102
Dec	1026-1025	Mar	1117-1116
Mar	1054-1053	May	1125-1120
May	1064-1063	Jul	1135-1131
Jul	1075-1074		
Sep	1086-1084	Volume:	8789

ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)

Sep	3825-3815	May	3650-3610
Nov	3755-3750	Jul	3615-3610
Jan	3700-3697	Sep	3600-3580
Mar	3659-3650	Volume:	4751

NO.7 PREMIUM RAW SUGAR (6.00pm)

Spot: 307.40		May	unq
Oct	unq	Jul	
Jan		Oct	
Mar		Jan	
		Volume:	0

WHITE SUGAR (FOB)

Reuters		May	320.7-20.5
Spot: 345.00		Aug	321.4-20.5
Oct	322.5-22.3	Oct	307.9-05.4
Dec	321.2-20.5	Dec	307.9-02.9
Mar	321.2-20.4	Volume:	1368

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 30

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB	77.36	87.91	116.53
(+/-)	-2.38	-2.62	-2.53
Eng/Wales	77.42	87.30	116.06
(+/-)	-2.44	-3.94	-2.71
(%)	-28.0	-26.0	-41.0
Scotland	76.37	89.59	119.26
(+/-)	-0.09	+1.04	-2.57
(%)	+27.0	-13.0	-5.0

LONDON MEAT FUTURES

Live Pig (£/kg)

Open	Close	Open	Close
—	—	—	—

Volume: ..

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT (close £/t)

Sep	105.15
Nov	105.80
Jan	107.75
Mar	109.70
May	111.95

Volume: 204

BARLEY (close £/t)

Sep	103.40
Nov	104.60
Jan	106.25
Mar	108.70
May	110.15

Volume: 69

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)

Sep	unq
Nov	—
Jan	—
Mar	—
May	—

Volume: ...

POTATO

(£/t)	Open	Close
Nov	unq	150.0
Apr	220.0	219.5
May	unq	240.0

Volume: 157

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/k)
Oct 72.50-73.00

(Official) (Volume prev day)

Copper Gde A ($/tonne)			
Lead ($/tonne)			
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)			
Tin ($/tonne)			
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)			
Nickel ($/tonne)			

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): Oil prices were little changed whilst the market caught up with the weekend's non events.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	15.85	(n/c)
Brent 15 day (Sep)	16.05	(n/c)
Brent 15 day (Oct)	16.35	(n/c)
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	17.50	(n/c)
W Texas Intermediate (Nov)	17.60	(n/c)

PRODUCTS ($/MT)
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	190 (+1)	193 (+2)
Gasoil EEC	152 (n/c)	154 (+1)
Non EEC 1H Sep	152 (n/c)	153 (n/c)
Non EEC 1H Oct	155 (+2)	156 (+2)
3.5 Fuel Oil	77 (-2)	79 (+2)
Naphtha	160 (+2)	163 (+3)

IPE FUTURES
GNI Ltd

GAS OIL

Sep	150.50-50.75	Dec	157.75-58.00
Oct	153.75-54.00	Jan	159.25-59.50
Nov	156.00-56.25	Feb	160.00-60.25
		Vol:	12032

BRENT (6.00pm)

Oct	16.36-16.38	Jan	16.46-16.49
Nov	16.46-16.48	Feb	16.44-16.47
Dec	16.51-16.53	Vol:	20393

UNLEADED GASOLINE

Sep	173.00-85.00	Dec	145 BID
Oct	150.00-77.00	Jan	unq
Nov	145 BID	Vol:	0

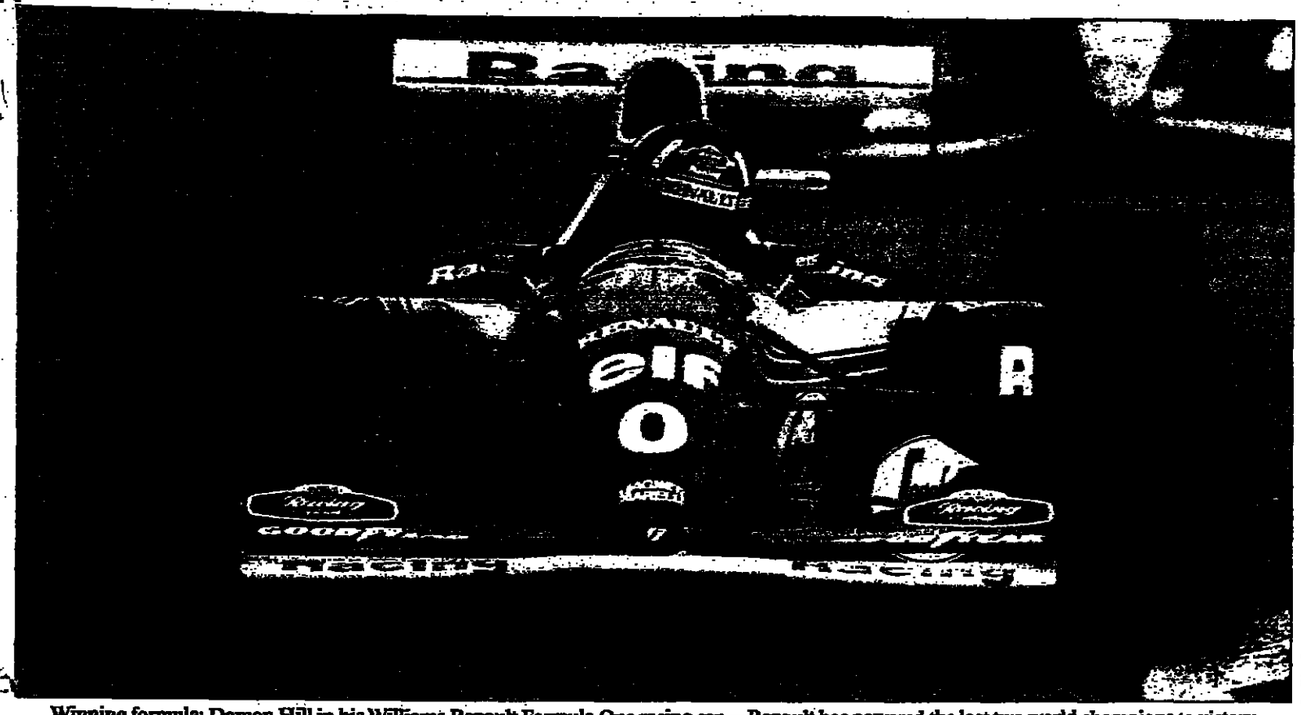
BIFFEX
GNI Ltd ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Aug 94	1465	1465	1462
Sep 94	1370	1370	1373
Oct 94	1384	1380	1384
Jan 95	unq	unq	1398

Vol: 38 lots. Open int'st: 2682 Index 1446 -10

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE Rudolf Wolff

	Cash	3mth	Vol
Copper Gde A ($/tonne)	2468.0-2469.0	2479.0-2480.0	1051975
Lead ($/tonne)	588.00-589.00	605.00-606.00	22765
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	965.00-966.00	988.50-989.00	943250
Tin ($/tonne)	5360.0-5365.0	5440.0-5445.0	20465
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1494.0-1494.5	1524.0-1524.5	1007525
Nickel ($/tonne)	6030.0-6032.0	6120.0-6125.0	85704



Winning formula: Damon Hill in his Williams-Renault Formula One racing car — Renault has powered the last two world champions to victory

Renault on a fast track to early privatisation

Colin Narbrough outlines the benefits for France of an early sell-off of its state carmaker after the ending of the planned partnership deal with Volvo

Renault, whose engines have powered the championship-winning Formula One cars for the past two years, has moved into pole position in the French privatisation race.

With carmakers in recovery mode and automotive shares out-performing other sectors on European stock markets, selling off state-controlled Renault now would certainly make economic sense. Politically, too, the privatisation would reaffirm the commitment of the Gaullist government of Edouard Balladur, the Prime Minister, to reducing the state's wide involvement in industrial and financial corporations.

Much has been made of the political risk attached to privatising Renault. The recent mass demonstrations by the trade unions at the company's Boulogne-Billancourt works have reminded France of the industrial unrest long associated with Renault. Indeed, it has at times, most prominently in 1968, verged on outright rebellion.

It is claimed that M Balladur's cautious approach to privatisation and anything that might threaten French jobs will mean only a timid start to the Renault sell-off. His ambition to secure the presidency in next spring's elections might, however, be better served by a more forceful stance. With the economy growing and hope that unemployment has started to fall, a good case can be made for boldness.

Louis Schweitzer, chairman and chief executive of Renault, is pushing for early privatisation. Renault is the only volume carmaker left in Western Europe still owned by the state. Not that state ownership has prevented it from becoming a profitable business. Renault is no Air France, the loss-making French national airline. Far from it. Renault has been a success story since near bankruptcy ten years ago. The assassination of George Besse, the then chairman, in 1986 horrified corporate France, but failed to halt the programme he had begun to raise productivity and quality.

In Europe, Renault is currently the most profitable carmaker after BMW, which paid £1 billion for Rover, the last British-controlled volume carmaker, earlier this year. In spite of recession and collapsed car demand in European markets, Renault last year produced a net profit of Fr1.07 billion on a turnover of almost Fr170 billion. This represented a dramatic deterioration from the Fr5.68 billion profit the previous year.

After seven successive years in the black, and without state aid, analysts are bullish about Renault's prospects for this year. Net profit is forecast to more than double to Fr2.25 billion and double again next year. Despite its powerful unions, Renault has steadily cut its workforce to about 140,000 from more than 200,000 less than a decade ago. Unions and opposition politicians fear a sell-off will bring the same level of job cuts as seen in privatisations in other countries.

Renault has conducted a programme of heavy cost cutting over years, to a large extent pre-empting the wall of problems that Volkswagen and Fiat ran into during the recession. Last year VW, Europe's biggest carmaker, made a record group loss of almost DM2 billion and Fiat a worst-ever loss of Ll,783 billion (£730 million). The strong yen may have subdued the Japanese threat to Europe, but only temporarily. Costs remain high in Europe and the automotive industry is still dogged by over-capacity.

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The *renaissance of Renault* after years of tightening controls and cutting costs depends increasingly, says M Schweitzer, on the pursuit of quality and a "forceful, young and innovative *product range*". The *spate of new* models, including the Clio in 1990, the Twingo last year and the Laguna this year show it is sticking to its declared policy. In France, the models policy paid dividends last year by boosting Renault sales past those of Peugeot, its domestic rival. In Britain, one of Europe's strongest car markets since the end of the recession, Renault has eyed the sales successes of Citroën with envy. Renault has lifted its share of the UK car market to almost 6 per cent and is now aiming to break into the fleet car market with the Laguna. Participation in the British Touring Car Championship, shop window for the fleet car trade, indicates Renault is earnest over building UK sales.

But Renault's biggest headache of the past year has been the dramatic abortion of its alliance with Volvo, the Swedish car and truck maker. The merger, intended to reinforce Renault's truck business in return for support for Volvo's car side, was blocked by a Swedish shareholder revolt. The failure of the cross-border merger plan, which cost Pehr Gyllenhammar, Volvo president, his job, has in Sweden been attributed to fears that Renault was not after partnership but a takeover.

French refusal to clarify the Renault privatisation timetable and the future role of the French government fanned the flames of revolt in Stockholm. The collapse of the Renault-Volvo merger is, from M Balladur's point of view, a positive development as it frees Renault from an entanglement with a foreign company that could have complicated privatisation. The web of cross holdings between Renault and Volvo, set up in 1990 as part of the lead-up to merger, *means the Swedish company*, as the poorer performer of the two, must pay Renault Fr1 billion.

Renault initially buys back Volvo's 45 per cent of Renault's industrial vehicles division, while Volvo acquires Renault's 25 per cent of Volvo cars. Volvo should also acquire Renault's 45 per cent of Volvo trucks on privatisation. Renault, after privatisation, will probably seek another partner, with Fiat often suggested. The recent joint development deal for truck cabs with Iveco, the Fiat trucks subsidiary, was, however, a one-off.

The break-up of the relationship with Volvo might make Renault turn its back on European partners altogether. It is rumoured M Schweitzer is already looking to Japan. Honda, still smarting from the surprise takeover of Rover, *its long-term partner*, by BMW, is reappraising its European plans. Although French industry has been the most vociferous opponent of Japanese imports, M Schweitzer is certainly not closed to new ideas and new partnerships. Having concluded the insurance market is not favourable at present for selling off the state-owned Assurances Générales de France (AGF), supposedly the next privatisation candidate, the Balladur government, pressed by Gerard Longuet, the industry minister, has brought Renault to the fore. A two-stage privatisation is planned with the initial disposal of 29 per cent this year, and a slightly bigger tranche after the presidential elections next spring.

The sale, expected to value Renault at Fr45 billion, will bring the government a handy Fr14 billion from the initial part of the sale. Exactly what the French government's advisers on the sale, Rothschild & Cie and Crédit Agricole, are proposing is unclear. The classic French mechanism of a *Noyau dur* or hardcore, of stable, long-term investors (French, of course) would be the easiest route politically.

Yet now could be a moment for the government to take a bigger step. With Fr20 billion needed to prop up Air France, and billions more needed to restore Crédit Lyonnais, the state-controlled bank, and Bull, the computer group, M Balladur urgently needs all the proceeds he can get from privatisation. AGF, which was scheduled to be sold off before Renault, is only worth about Fr16 billion. With a Fr300 billion budget deficit to plug, the government *appreciates what a plum Renault is.*

M Longuet has argued that early privatisation of Renault would signal an important break with the French state tradition of *dirigisme* and enhance the Renault brand image. The break with Volvo could be a help to M Balladur. Under the disengagement agreement, Volvo agreed to sell part or all of its 20 per cent stake in Renault if privatisation goes ahead by November 30. Failure to meet the deadline would mean complications and fresh negotiations. Instead of retaining 51 per cent of Renault until after the presidential elections, M Balladur could play the national card as the man who drove out the Swedes to hand majority control in a single step to French investors, including the Renault workforce.

TEMPUS

SB's magic potion

SMITHKLINE Beecham is a company in a hurry. The ink was barely dry on the $2.3 billion agreement to buy Diversified Pharmaceutical Services when SB's lawyers began crawling over the documentation for the $2.9 billion purchase of Sterling Health while another team pursued the ill-fated $4 billion asset swap with American Cyanamid. SB *knows where it wants to be — world number* one in healthcare — and Sterling Health looks the perfect vehicle to carry it there. The question is whether anyone will suffer queasy spells on the way.

There is no sign of SB stumbling yet: Sterling brings with it tip-top brands and a market presence where SB needs it. Observers predict that Sterling's 16 per cent margins will grow as SB cuts out overlap in the marketing effort. Curiously, the story has done little for the shares and there is a lingering anxiety that Sterling's pills and potions could cause SB indigestion. To avoid a $2.5 billion write-off of goodwill, SB is capitalising the value of the brands. Soon, SB's balance sheet could boast more intangible than tangible assets, putting a question mark over the company's net worth.

SB is paying almost three times the value of *the turnover generated by Sterling's brands* and the deal will send gearing to 300 per cent next year. The company is confident that cash flow will bring it down again sharply by 1996, but that assumes that margins from the research-based business will remain high, and the industry is already under threat on the price front. Paying fancy prices for brands may offer a quick and more certain route to the top than slogging it out in the lab but SB investors might stock up now on Panadol and Tums: it could be a bumpy ride.

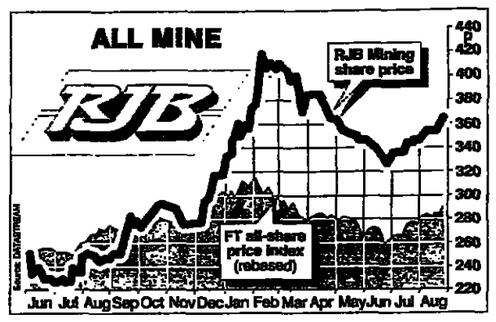
RJB Mining

SINCE last year's flotation, RJB Mining has seized opportunity by the throat and become one of the most active bidders in the great *British Coal sell-off*. The company now has three leases on former BC collieries, as well Monckton Coke & Chemical, which it bought *from ICI in March*.

RJB's interim figures demonstrate why it felt such a burst of hyperactivity was necessary. The company's *traditional contract-mining* business is sliding downhill fast, with profits down by a quarter to £3.74 million, and is likely to continue.

RJB's decision to take on mines that BC saw as uneconomic was a brave leap into the unknown, as was the diversification into coke manufacturing. So far though the gamble appears to be paying off, with the group managing to maintain earnings despite its equity issue at flotation and the decline of the contract business. Monckton performed particularly well, with annualised profits of £1.8 million standing against the £4.7 million purchase price.

Now RJB must prepare for the main chance, the privatisation of BC's five main regions. The company is bidding for all five and if it is successful in any of them will rely on shareholders for funding, since gearing is already 65 per cent. RJB is *making a strong impact in* an industry being turned on its head, but until the dust clears it remains a share for true believers in solid fuel.



Argyll

ON numbers alone, Argyll's diposal of 151 small stores looks unimpressive. A £19.7 million price tag for a business with annual sales of £150 million is rather low. It must be remembered that these are not quality assets, and Argyll seems keen to get rid of them at any price.

The deal may be slightly earnings-dilutive, but what matters more is that the group has managed to dispose of almost half of its troublesome Lo-Cost chain, and the more unattractive half of smaller sites at that. Lo-Cost has been a thorn in Argyll's side over the past year or so and its performance has been sufficiently bad to weigh down the group's profits. Despite a recent price re-positioning, *the chain has been hit by the* aggressive expansion of the discount sector and probably has no future in its current format.

The market would have preferred to see the disposal of the whole chain, but by getting rid of the smaller stores Argyll stands to extract a *better price for the remaining* sites. That would leave it freer to concentrate on the core Safeway chain, which will have to work hard to keep up with its bigger — and perhaps better — rivals.

Astec (BSR)

THE stock market's languid response to Astec (BSR)'s latest interim figures is a testimony to the strength of the group's recovery. A company which increases earnings by 69 per cent is usually rewarded with more than a 2 per cent fall in its shares.

Two years ago, Astec was a loss-making basket case. It had suffered severely from a modest downturn in the computer industry, the traditional customer for its power supplies, and its production costs were too high to give the company any flexibility.

Since then Astec has been transformed. Four-fifths of *its manufacturing is based in* the low-cost regions of South East Asia, which is having a dramatic effect on profitability. The operating margin *rose from 3.4 per cent to 4.9* per cent in the half year. That promises to increase further in the second half as Astec's new plant in Shenzhen, in China, comes on stream.

Lower cost manufacturing has also made the group highly cash generative. Astec's net cash has risen to £14 million. This allows the company to look for acquisitions to broaden its customer base. Almost half of sales are still related to the PC industry, exposing the group to the boom and bust of the semi-conductor world. Astec is looking for add-ons that would provide it with the sales connections into European and American telecoms groups.

Astec could make £20 million this year, and a prospective earnings multiple of 16 is reasonable given the company's momentum. The shares are also a means of gaining exposure to the miracles of the Chinese economy.

Cathay Intl

Another route to the orient is through Cathay Internation*al*, a Chinese property company that used to be an ailing furniture maker. Cathay now controls two hotels, four bridges and a tunnel in Chi*na and promises more deals.* The volatility of the Hong Kong property market screams caution, but the lure of chasing the dragon is still *strong among investors.*

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BUSINESS LETTERS

Institutions have undermined company annual meetings

From Dr Maurice Gillibrand

Sir, Pennington (August 26), in stating "perhaps Cadbury should focus on the Companies Act", goes to the heart of the problem of corporate governance. The issue is whether a code of practice as proposed by Cadbury is ade*quate to meet the concerns of* shareholders about the lack of accountability of management, or whether reform of the Companies Act is required.

The provisions for auditors and for the authority of shareholders at an annual general meeting were established in the Victorian Acts of 1845-1862. Since that time, there have been dramatic changes in the character of the stock market, without corresponding changes in the legislation. In particular, a majority of individual shareholders has been gradually replaced by institutional shareholders, which now hold about 80 per cent of companies' equity.

One consequence has been that the authority of the annual general meeting has been nullified. Institutional shareholders, with the noble exception of PosTel, invariably provide the chairman with sufficient proxies in favour of board resolutions, thereby pre-empting any authority that the meeting could otherwise have exerted.

Undoubtedly, this debate will be actively pursued at the forthcoming National Conference of Shareholders, to be convened by the United Kingdom Shareholders Association at York on October 22. Sir Adrian Cadbury will be giving a keynote address, which will ensure that delegates have first-hand information on his proposals, and Mr Geoff Lindey will be expressing the views of the National Association of Pension Funds. If delegates consider that legislation is necessary, they will have a unique opportunity of making their views known to the speakers from the main three political parties: Spencer Batiste MP (Conservative), John Gunnell MP (Labour) and Julian Cummins (Liberal Democrat). *Shareholders* wishing for further information can contact me on 0248 600916.

Yours faithfully,
MAURICE GILLIBRAND,
7 Tal-y-Cae,
Tregarth,
Bangor,
Gwynedd.

Beware hidden household insurance charges

From Jill Lamède

Sir, With my household insurance renewal documents I was accidently sent the Agent's Renewal List which shows the agent's commission rate to be a massive 30 per cent. No wonder domestic insurance costs are so high.

In this case it is particularly galling as, when I took out my mortgage in 1983, my house was *already insured but the* building society insisted that my insurance must go through them. They would have preferred to use a differ*ent company* but agreed that I could continue my current insurance arrangement as long as I transferred the brokerage to them. On looking back through my papers I find that my premium shot up by an unexplained 25 per cent at that point — in my innocence it never occurred to me to question the figures.

A large slice of my endowment policy contributions will also have been absorbed by commission. What other hidden charges are we all paying? Can a commission charge of 30 per cent ever be justified?

Yours faithfully,
JILL LAMÈDE,
Sea Winds,
Trewarmett,
Tintagel,
Cornwall.

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Crossed lines on BT

From the Group Managing Director, BT

Sir, Ross Tieman's article "Telephone firms ordered to improve training" (August 25) said that Don Cruickshank has ordered BT to modernise its charging system.

Don Cruickshank does not have the power to make such a ruling. It was BT who announced earlier this year our commitment to implement time based charging from early in 1995.

It is unfortunate that you are encouraging the myth that *the only positive action* taken by BT is when ordered to do so by the regulator.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL HEPHER,
Group Managing Director, BT,
BT Centre,
81 Newgate Street, EC1.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Putting the ax straight

A *CURIOUS tailpiece* to The hree Graces saga filters wn to me from Queens reet, where Angus Grossart, e respected Edinburgh mer*ant* banker, is back at his sk after a well-timed holi-y. Some have questioned ny Grossart, chairman of e trustees of the National alleries of Scotland, was not hand to support his direc-. Timothy Clifford, during storm that erupted over narks about John Paul Getthe reclusive billionaire. "It tainly wasn't because of / tiff with Timothy over his narks during the campaign eep The Three Graces £7.6 lion sculpture in Scotland," says. "I happened to be idaying in Crete, and in I was in constant touch Timothy, who had my port throughout the fu-. I *must* have set a world rd for phone and fax bills my hotel." Grossart re-ns busy on both sides of Atlantic, combining his executive directorship of Royal Bank of Scotland his Galleries interest with Noble Grossart merchant banking commitment. "I am relying a lot on video conferencing. Doing business internationally from a Scottish base, it provides enormous leverage."



Angus Grossart gets video leverage from a Scottish base

Put to the test

THE first international *flood*lit cricket tournament on a Test ground is attracting keen interest from the City — not least because the chairman of a leading Lloyd's broker is also the son of a former England captain. Charles Robins, whose father, Walter, was an authoritarian leader, heads Stafford Knight and will be at the Oval with his entourage on September 21 and 22. Former Test stars Viv Richards, Greg Chappell and Sunil Gavaskar are among the attractions in this six-a-side tournament contested by legendary figures from the game. "The novelty of cricket under floodlights after business hours is of enormous appeal," says Robins. "I will be interested to see if the City follows the successful precedent set in Australia, where midweek business entertainment at evening cricket is an established method of corporate entertainment. It is rare for the City to have this kind of hospitality opportunity so close to our work." Play is scheduled to begin at 2.30 and finish at 10.30pm.

Clearing the air

MORE bad news for smokers in America, where Delta Air Lines has decided to ban smoking on all its 250 trans-Atlantic flights. A passenger survey by Delta showed that it risks losing seven per cent of its customers by banning smoking, but should more than make up the numbers by attracting travellers who like a smoke-free environment.

Singing the blues

MY RECENT tale about the New Orleans' shoeshine scam appealed to Ronan Gardiner, a 25-year-old advertising exec*utive with Steve Lease Media* in Hong Kong. Gardiner, who hails from Cardiff, was holidaying in the Deep South when a Bourbon Street shoe*shine boy told him of the spe*cial $15 offer: no matter which country or city he came from, he could tell where he got his shoes ... on his feet. Gardiner accepted his defeat, but challenged the hustler to a double-or-quits bet that he could sing a song featuring any christian name the shoeshine boy wished to name. "Ezekiel," came the challenge — at which point Gardiner broke in to "Happy Birthday To You ...". The boy paid up.

Skilled bankers

GUINNESS Mahon, the merchant bank described as "new in everything but name" as a result of a management shake-out three years ago, should not be at a loss when it comes to entertaining foreign nobles. Each of the three joint managing directors has an appropriately blue-blooded skill — fly fishing in the case of David Hickey, who has a preference for the River Test in Hampshire; Andrew West hunts twice a week during the season, and Christopher Stainforth is a keen shooter. Hunting, fishing and shooting could not fail to impress the Bank of Yokohama, which took a controlling stake in 1991.

JON ASHWORTH

THE TIMES UNIT TRUST INFORMATION SERVICE

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
AIB UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD				
51 Belmont Rd, Uxbridge, Middx UB8 1RZ				
0895 259783				
Gmlund Amer	164.57	173.60	+1.90	[illegible]
Gmlund Equity	246.30	259.00	-2.40	1.21
Gmlund Euro	205.40	217.20	-2.20	0.06
Gmlund Kept Bal	116.00	122.20	-2.30	2.01
Gmlund Gilt	71.74	75.62	+0.54	5.70
Gmlund Japan	197.00	207.0	-1.30	...
AXA EQUITY & LAW UNIT TST MGRS				
Equity & Law Hse, Corpn St, Coventry				
0203 553 231				
General Acc	547.70	582.70	-3.50	2.53
General Inc	489.50	520.90	-3.10	2.53
UK Growth Acc	369.10	390.10	-2.20	2.62
UK Growth Inc	256.50	272.90	-1.60	2.62
Higher Inc Acc	690.00	734.10	-5.40	3.54
Higher Inc Inc	397.50	423.80	-1.40	3.54
Gilt Fxd Int Acc	175.00	186.80	-0.70	6.07
Gilt Fxd Int Inc	90.14	94.15	-0.15	6.07
Nth American	260.10	276.40	+0.80	
Far East	342.60	367.10	-0.40	
Europe	277.30	295.10	-2.00	0.70
Brit Fxd Int	77.50	78.30	+0.45	2.81
Brit Fndmtl Acc	101.90	108.40	-0.81	4.41
Brit Fndmtl Inc	76.45	81.37	-0.46	4.41
Global Opps	86.01	92.14	+1.02	0.17
Balanced Acc	55.27	58.80	-0.24	2.62
Balanced Inc	54.51	57.99	-0.75	2.62
ABBEY UNIT TST MGRS				
80 Holdenhurst Rd, Bournemouth 0345 717 373				
High Income				
Gilt & Fixed Int	127.50	137.20	-0.90	5.01
Higher Inc Equity	166.60	178.40	-1.70	4.41
Worldwide Bond	264.30	280.20	-0.70	7.75
Capital Growth				
American Growth	294.60	311.80	-8.40	0.72
Asian Pacific	352.30	374.80	-0.50	
Assets & Earnings	272.20	290.40	-1.20	2.31
Commodity & Energy	124.50	132.40	-1.20	0.24
Euro Capital Inc	133.90	143.20	-1.30	0.18
General	230.90	245.60	-2.30	2.21
Japan	136.90	145.70	-2.50	
Mastertrust	145.90	155.90	-2.10	1.19
Ind Growth Dly	131.00	140.10	-0.40	2.14
US Emerging Cos	129.40	139.90	-2.40	
Income & Growth	398.20	424.70	-5.40	2.04
Global	71.29	75.54	-0.40	2.50
International	121.10	129.50	-1.90	0.51
Dividend & Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.22
Global Gwth & Inc	65.77	70.07	+0.14	2.34
ABERFORTH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
14 Melville St, Edinburgh EH3 7NS				
031 220 0733				
UK Small Cos	£17.15	£17.90		
ABTRUST UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
10 Queens Terrace, Aberdeen AB9 1QJ				
0800 833 590				
Aberdeen Portfolio	42.97	44.27	-0.70	0.77
Amer Inc & Growth	44.47	46.90	-1.03	0.00
Cash	50.42	50.42	+0.02	4.46
European	112.90	119.80	-0.40	
Exempt	£10.23	£10.90	-0.20	1.69
Extra Income	53.26	57.09	-0.24	4.16
Far East Emrg Econ	120.60	127.60	-2.60	0.45
Fixed Interest	22.86	24.41	-0.04	7.52
Fund Inv Tst	189.80	199.00	-1.20	0.64
Japan	200.60	213.60	-1.60	
Latin American	79.21	84.42	-0.49	0.57
Pacific	76.53	81.98	-1.20	0.52
Property Share	65.05	72.64	-0.19	1.51
UK Emerging Cos	62.72	70.10	-0.26	1.76
UK Growth	86.10	89.76	-1.12	2.35
World Growth	76.70	81.07	-0.93	0.06
Ethical	43.38	47.65	-0.44	2.50
Aberdeen Gilt Inc	49.31	49.31	+0.14	6.61
ACUMA FUND MANAGERS LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 690 336				
UK Equity Income	99.16	105.72	-0.38	2.64
UK Equity Growth	98.73	104.42	-0.23	2.07
European	71.74	75.57	-0.21	0.86
Nth American	69.57	74.01	-1.92	1.22
Far Eastern	76.73	81.75	-1.35	0.51
Money	69.32	69.32	-0.02	3.72
Fixed Interest	69.26	73.66	-0.34	7.13
Index Linked Gilt	64.42	65.96	-0.05	1.39
AEGON UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
25 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF				
031 549 3232				
British Growth	71.99	76.55	-0.97	2.72
British Income	52.12	57.20	+0.53	3.84
Select Portfolio	59.05	64.73	-0.15	...
ALLCHURCHES INV MGMT SVS LTD				
101 King's Road, Brentwood CM14 4DR				
0452 305 958				
Amity Income	76.53	81.52	+0.38	2.30
Income Builder Inc	69.70	74.15	+0.38	2.68
ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TSTS PLC				
Allied Dunbar Centre, Swindon SN1 1EL				
IFA dlg: 0793 610 366 Client dlg: 0793 514 514				
Balanced Trusts				
Growth & Income	238.30	254.70	-0.20	2.21
Capital	421.30	450.30	-0.30	1.72
Balanced	699.30	747.40	-0.20	2.00
Accumulator	£12.72	£13.59	-1.00	2.99
Income Trusts				
American Income	48.47	51.77	-0.56	3.55
High Income	410.90	439.10	-0.50	3.51
Equity Income	228.50	244.20	-0.30	3.51
High Yield	250.30	267.50	-0.20	3.51
Govt Securities	32.52	34.34	-0.05	5.70
International Trusts				
Amer Spec Sits	140.30	149.90	-1.90	0.40
European Growth	36.22	38.60	-0.21	0.08
International	169.50	181.10	-1.70	0.22
Japan	237.10	253.40	-2.60	0.01
Pacific	442.70	473.20	-4.90	0.02
Secs of America	416.00	442.70	-7.00	0.42
Wwide Asset Val	50.57	54.31	-0.51	0.16
Specialist Trusts				
Asset Value	531.90	568.60	-0.20	2.29
Com & Gilt	45.23	49.35	+0.06	4.52
Smaller Cos	170.10	181.90	-0.30	1.24
2nd Smaller Cos	161.50	172.60	-0.20	1.18
Recovery	141.20	151.40	-0.20	1.72
Met Min & Cdty	161.50	172.60	-1.20	0.81
Overs Earnings	358.00	382.70	-0.50	1.92
Technology	159.80	170.30	-2.30	0.00
UK Special Sits	461.30	493.10	-0.10	1.54
B & C E UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
Manor Royal, Crawley RH10 2QP 0293 526 911				
Critical Dist Pers	95.51	101.30	+1.00	1.45
Foundn Persl Pens	62.06	64.47	+0.93	4.00
BSI-THORNHILL UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
28 St John's Sq, London EC1M 4AE				
071 251 6767				
Capital	73.91	74.52	+1.20	1.93
International	64.91	69.05		0.13
BAILLIE GIFFORD & CO LTD				
1 Rutland Court, Edinburgh EH3 8EY				
031 222 4242				
America	297.50	309.70	-6.70	
Bond	109.00	115.70	+1.10	7.25
Brit Smlr Cos	101.60	108.10	-0.20	1.59
Com & Gen	66.62	71.10	-0.10	5.24
Energy	445.80	481.40	-5.70	0.22
Europe	241.90	257.30	-0.20	0.46
Euro Smlr Cos	106.80	113.90	-0.20	0.81
Income Gwth	351.00	374.00	-2.00	4.23
Japan	352.80	377.10	-5.00	
Pacific	116.30	123.70	-3.50	0.09
UK Smlr Cos	87.10	94.20	-0.02	0.90
Japan Fd	£10.11	£10.70	-1.60	
Mngd Fd	177.90	189.30	-1.10	2.96
BANK OF IRELAND FUND MGRS LTD				
36 Queen St, London EC4R 1BN 071 489 8673				
Brit & Ovseas	293.20	305.60	-1.70	1.22
Capital Gwth	117.50	125.70	-0.50	2.16
World Opps	180.30	191.20	-3.10	0.41
BARCLAYS UNICORN LTD				
11 Broadway, Stratford E15 4BJ 081 534 5544				
Balanced Trusts				
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-3.90	2.66
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.14	9.20
Exempt	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.14	4.93
Financial	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.77	2.65
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.0	2.25
General	[illegible]	[illegible]	-3.19	2.51
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		5.72
Trustee	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.80	2.12
Income Trusts				
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		4.15
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.20	3.54
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.26	5.84
Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.54	3.92
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.65	4.54
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.06	3.10
Growth Trusts				
Capital	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.60	2.53
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.90	1.35
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.30	2.23
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.20	1.59
Special Sits	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.50	1.50
Overseas Trusts				
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.60	0.60
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	+10.80	1.59
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-6.57	1.59
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.10	0.47
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.10	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.10	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.63	0.34
Worldwide	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.40	0.57
BARING FUND MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ				
081 658 9002				
American Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.11	
Amer Smllr Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	-3.56	
Cash Trust	50.12	50.12	+0.02	4.10
Convertibles	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.13	5.40
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-9.25	0.10
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.75	4.50
European Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.40	1.00
Europe	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.70	0.60
German Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.25	0.10
Global Bond	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.25	5.70
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.40	
Japan Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.70	
Japan Smllr Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.10	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.40	
Pacific	[illegible]	[illegible]	-3.00	1.00
UK Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.50	1.40
UK Smaller Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.20	1.50
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.00
BLACKSTONE FRANKS UT MGRS LTD				
26-34 Old Street, London EC1V 9HL				
071 250 3300				
Intl Gwth Pen Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.76	
Special Opps Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.06	
BREWIN DOLPHIN UT MGRS LTD				
5 Giltspur St, London EC1A 9DE 071 236 6441				
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.25	2.78
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-4.60	2.59
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.13	1.54
Fund of Funds	[illegible]	[illegible]	+0.08	
BRITANNIA LIFE UNIT MGRS LTD				
50 Bothwell Street, Glasgow G2 6HR				
041 225 6020				
Balanced Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.05	1.53
Smaller Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	+0.41	1.17
Higher Yield	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.29	7.51
American Gth Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	-9.05	
European Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.20	0.04
Global Bond Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	-9.05	5.40
Mixed Pfolio Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.15	1.07
Intl Spec Opps	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.16	0.10
Pacific Gth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.00	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]		
UK Recovery	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.04	2.06
Japan	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.17	
Gilt & Fxd Int	[illegible]	[illegible]	+0.57	6.80
BURRAGE UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
117 Fenchurch St, London EC3M 5AL				
071 480 7216				
Short Dated Gilt	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.11	9.61
CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
PO Box 105, Manchester M60 0AH				
061 837 5060				
Europe	154.10	164.30	+1.00	1.45
UK Growth	168.30	179.10	+1.00	2.07
UK Income	134.80	143.00	-1.20	4.11
CANADA LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
High St, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA				
0707 651 122				
Canlife Dist	190.00	201.40	+1.90	1.97
-do- Income Dist	129.30	136.90	-0.50	4.32
Gilt & Fxd Int	39.31	41.04	-0.21	6.63
CAPEL-CURE MYERS UT MGMT LTD				
35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF				
061 236 5685 Enq: 061 236 5685 Dlg: 061 236 5362				
American & Gen	150.10	159.10	+1.50	

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
European Inc	79.48	84.30	-0.41	0.52
Smaller Cos	81.45	86.60	+0.57	1.60
Growth	421.60	448.60	+3.50	2.13
Income & Growth	113.40	120.90	+2.60	3.69
Japan & Gen	82.27	87.53	+1.14	...
Master Portfolio	[illegible]	[illegible]	+£1.03	1.85
Special Sits	97.51	104.00	+0.66	2.13
High Yield	£13.45	£13.87	+8.00	4.12
CAPITAL HOUSE UNIT TST MGRS				
Capital House, Festival Square, Edinburgh				
031 228 4477 Dealing: 0800 833 561				
American Gwth Tst	36.54	39.07	+0.09	0.28
Cash Income	50.35	50.35	+0.01	4.90
European Gwth	41.13	43.80	+0.25	...
Income & Gwth Inc	28.29	30.25	+0.35	4.06
Intnl Gwth	32.24	34.48	+0.54	0.15
Japan Gwth	30.37	32.48	+0.39	...
Managed Tst Inc	49.56	53.00	+0.63	1.18
Oriental Opps Inc	152.90	163.50	+6.30	...
Property Shares	40.92	43.76	-2.04	0.54
Smaller Cos	31.51	33.70	-0.07	1.27
UK Growth Tst	26.26	28.08	-0.17	2.27
Royal Scottish Assurance				
Cap Hse Global Inc	73.31	79.47	+0.73	1.42
Cap Hse UK Inc	68.62	72.39	-0.12	2.82
European Fd	29.84	30.70	...	1.76
Formerly Brown Shipley				
Financial	145.70	155.80	+1.0	1.68
Foundation	94.44	101.00	-0.30	2.74
German	53.04	56.72	+0.34	
High Income	75.96	81.24	+0.34	5.49
Income	140.60	150.30	-0.80	2.06
Mngd Pfolio Inc	101.70	108.70	...	1.07
Mngd Pfolio Acc	194.40	207.90	...	1.07
Monthly Income	85.43	91.36	+0.55	3.90
North American	104.40	111.60	-1.80	
CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH				
071 606 0708				
Cazenove Portfolio	92.96	98.50	-0.72	2.27
American Portfolio	89.46	95.26	-0.97	1.03
European Portfolio	95.10	101.47	-0.25	0.82
Japanese Portfolio	74.79	79.57	-1.54	...
Pacific Portfolio	147.17	159.25	-3.55	0.74
UK Inc & Growth	76.93	82.44	-0.15	3.34
Utility & Bond	57.45	58.09	-0.29	5.66
CENTURY UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
5 Old Bailey, London EC4M 7BA 071 332 5000				
UK General Tst	66.49	70.73	-0.51	[illegible]
CHARTERED ASSET MGMT LTD				
131 Farringdon Rd, London EC1R 3AD				
071 837 7667				
Intl Growth	138.28	150.52		
UK Income	109.67	119.50		5.03
CITY FINANCIAL UT MGRS LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1				
071 407 5966				
Beckman Intl	73.88	78.35		2.13
Beck. Bio-Tech	28.98	30.08		
Acorn Ethical Tst	156.37	164.60	..	1.28
City Fin Assets	72.99	77.54	+1.35	1.02
City Fin America	82.12	86.44	..	
City Fin Intl	77.54	81.62	..	0.48
City Fin Japan	183.04	192.67		
Friars Hse Cap	277.50	303.01	-7.18	1.42
Friars Hse Inc	203.67	216.67	+4.13	3.75
Buckles Wrld Grth	135.29	143.93	..	0.08
Fairmont Cap Gth	143.07	151.65		
-do- Inc & Gth	111.53	117.40	..	1.54
Fairmount Intl	157.39	165.67		
City Fin Pfio Inc	58.17	61.98		3.98
CITY OF LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
10 Eastcheap, London EC3M 1AJ 0392 412 144				
Emerging Markets	56.56	62.45	-0.91	.
CLERICAL MEDICAL UT MGRS LTD				
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH 0800 373 393				
American Gwth	54.66	58.48	-1.56	.
Allas Mngd Gwth	37.62	40.24	-0.55	0.27
Dragon Growth	74.45	79.63	-2.22	0.16
Equity High Inc	84.50	89.99	+0.52	3.60
European Gwth	50.97	54.22	-0.28	0.73
Evergreen	30.00	32.06	-0.34	.
General Equity	84.19	89.33	-0.48	2.35
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	23.97	25.21	-0.11	6.19
Japan Growth	56.80	60.84	-0.82	..
Pedigree Gwth	51.24	54.51	-0.21	2.40
Ped Sm Cos Inc	31.45	33.46	-0.06	0.90
Retirement Inc	26.68	28.54	-0.16	5.25
Special Sits	39.09	40.74	-0.16	1.68
UK & Overseas	49.05	52.18	+0.56	0.91
COLONIAL MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD				
Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY				
0634 895 000				
Capital	66.47	71.00	+0.62	2.28
Income	60.34	64.49	+0.39	3.83
COMMERCIAL UNION FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL LTD				
Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ 081 686 9818				
PRESTIGE PORTFOLIO (PPT FUNDS)				
Income Funds				
Equity Inc	164.51	175.33	-1.63	5.11
Fixed & Convertible	40.71	43.31	-0.12	7.27
Monthly Inc Plus	47.88	50.94	-0.12	8.80
Preference Share	46.08	49.46	-0.04	7.39
Balanced Funds				
High Yield	126.59	134.99	-0.47	6.92
Managed Fund	68.29	72.65	-0.70	2.45
UK Growth Funds				
Smaller Cos	40.97	43.59	-0.15	1.56
UK & General	79.84	84.94	-0.57	2.26
UK Growth	142.71	151.39	-0.87	2.25
International Growth Funds				
Europe Growth	196.62	209.17	-0.33	0.24
Far Eastern Grth	142.79	151.90	-3.93	..
Global Bond	79.16	84.16	+0.18	[illegible]
Japan Growth	136.51	145.22	-2.02	..
North Amer Grth	159.67	169.56	-3.25	
Oriental Growth	82.30	87.45	-2.55	
Worldwide Growth	65.97	70.15	-0.98	0.07
OTHER CU TRUSTS (NON PPT FUNDS)				
Deposit Fund	92.75	92.75	+0.03	4.41
Homemaker Fund	79.36	93.36	-0.43	1.81
Quilter Fund	132.09	140.52	-0.47	2.43
CONFEDERATION FUNDS MGMT LTD				
Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN				
0438 744 940				
Growth Inc	59.43	63.22	-0.28	2.90
High Income	34.22	36.40	+0.14	4.50
Japan	39.22	41.77	-0.43	
Smaller Cos Inc	31.58	33.59	-0.06	2.30
Smaller Cos	37.12	35.23	-0.06	2.30
North American	33.61	35.75	-0.87	0.40
European	39.02	40.44	-0.04	0.50
CONSISTENT UNIT TST MGMT CO LTD				
1 White Hart Yd, London Bridge SE1 1NX				
071 407 5966				
Consistent UT	31.25	33.53		3.22
COOKE (HENRY) INV FUNDS LTD				
1 King St, Manchester M60 3AH 0800 526 358				
Growth	145.00	154.30	-1.00	1.83
Income	72.99	77.65	+0.25	4.88
European	62.10	66.07	+0.47	0.58
Recovery	147.20	156.60	+0.90	1.92
CO-OP PENSION FDS UT MGRS LTD				
78-80 Cornhill, London EC3V 3NJ 071 283 9494				
Equity Dist	[illegible]	822.10		3.78
CREDIT SUISSE INV FDS (UK) LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex				
0277 690 370				
Fellowship Tst	71.71	76.28	+0.33	1.34
Income	240.00	255.30	-1.40	4.49
Smaller Cos	150.00	159.50	-0.20	0.94
Inv Portfolio	79.44	84.56	+0.84	1.41
High Income Port	68.90	73.29	-0.48	4.73
DIMENSIONAL TST MGMT LTD				
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3XS				
071 410 0177				
Euro Small Cos	£15.87	£16.30		
Japan Small Cos	£14.04	£14.31		
UK Small Cos	£18.05	£18.90	..	
US Small Cos	£15.95	£16.30		
DISCRETIONARY UNIT FUND MGRS				
66 Wilson Street, London EC2A 2BL				
071 377 9819				
Disc Inc	206.50	217.20		2.54
DUNEDIN UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
25 Ravelston Terrace, Edinburgh 031 315 2500				
European Gwth	277.00	293.10	-1.00	0.45
New Asia	228.70	244.00	-4.96	
Japan Growth	136.90	145.70	-1.00	
Jap Smllr Co	580.90	617.40	-3.50	.
Nth Amer	252.40	267.50	-9.30	0.88
Shifrd Asia Pac M	128.40	135.80	-2.30	0.30
UK Inc & Grth	218.30	237.00	-1.40	3.15
EAGLE STAR UNIT MGRS LTD				
Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555				
UK Balanced Inc	141.70	150.70	-1.40	1.78
UK High Inc Inc	154.30	164.20	-2.30	4.30
UK Pref & FI Inc	56.00	59.42	-0.25	5.28
Envirnmntl Opps	84.14	89.51	-0.88	1.05
EDINBURGH UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh				
0345 090 526				
American	121.80	129.00	-3.10	0.97
Convertibles	21.50	22.76	-0.05	7.12
Equity Income	130.76	139.40	-0.90	3.61
EuroFund	46.44	49.23	-0.13	0.41
Financial	47.62	50.81	-0.29	1.57
Growth & Inc	237.10	251.50	-1.10	2.98
High Dist	159.90	158.50	-0.70	4.44
International	414.90	440.80	-5.40	0.17
Inv Cap Inc	98.54	105.28	-1.20	2.47
Latin American	51.29	54.49	-0.50	
Pacific	49.99	54.44	-1.95	.
Preference Share	22.44	23.84	-0.01	6.52
Tokyo	251.40	266.90	-1.30	
UK Smaller Cos	231.90	245.20	-0.30	1.02
ELY PLACE UNIT MGRS LTD				
29 Ely Place, London EC1N 6RL				
071 242 0242				
Elcon Trust	217.47	222.47	-7.33	0.92
ENDURANCE FUND MGMT LTD				
41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU				
071 373 7261				
Endurance Fd	208.30	221.60	.	0.50
EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 7QW				
0296 431 480				
European	61.12	65.44	-0.05	1.63
Ethical Tst	47.32	49.81	-0.37	1.09
Far Eastern	323.21	340.22	-4.91	1.51
High Income	137.35	144.38	-0.13	4.40
Intl Growth	123.02	129.51	-1.26	1.32
North American	111.18	117.03	-1.29	1.05
Pelican	119.24	125.52	-0.04	2.99
Smaller Cos	72.94	76.62	-0.20	2.08
Special Sits	92.30	97.17	+0.10	2.54
Tst of Inv Tsts	192.51	202.75	-0.76	1.41
EVERMORE FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1				
071 407 5966				
Smaller Cos Inc	213.98	222.90	+0.55	1.17
Smaller Cos Acc	273.23	285.01	-1.47	1.17
Recovery	54.57	56.84	-0.22	1.14
Recovery Acc	54.70	56.90	-0.23	1.14
EXETER FUND MANAGERS LTD				
23 Cathedral Yard, Exeter EX1 1HB				
0392 412 144				
Balanced	107.27	114.22	-0.65	5.94
Capital Growth	86.64	92.57	-0.72	
Fd of Inv Tsts	47.09	50.23	-0.33	0.53
High Income	47.20	50.58	+0.14	8.76
Warrant	62.79	66.25	-0.51	
Zero Preference	34.02	35.22		
FAMILY INVESTMENT MGMT LTD				
16 West Street, Brighton BN1 2RE 0273 220 707				
Family Asset Tst	78.32	83.31	-0.330	2.79
Family Income Tst	49.45	49.95	-0.250	5.37
Family Trust	89.46	94.10		3.09
United Charities	262.10	279.50	...	2.61
FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVS LTD				
130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ				
Callfree: Private Clients: 0800 414 161				
Broker Dealings: 0800 414 181				
Cash Fund				
Cash Fund	100.00	100.00		4.20
Stabiliser Growth Range				
Controlled Risk UK	24.72	26.06	-0.23	2.74
-do- Europe	23.74	25.10	-0.11	4.27
-do- America	22.72	23.94	-0.47	..
-do- Asc Japan	.	...		
Bond Funds				
Gilt & Fxd Int	26.44	26.69	+0.10	8.20
Intl Bond	25.75	26.41	+0.06	5.43
Income Funds				
High Income	25.83	27.29	+0.15	5.33
Income Plus	117.50	125.00	-0.80	3.65

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
Amer Eq Inc	48.14	51.00	+1.30	1.05
European Income	43.46	46.22	+0.06	2.20
Far East Inc	64.42	66.01	-0.82	1.68
Global Convertible	23.60	25.19	-0.14	2.86
UK Div Grth	23.90	25.51	-0.21	1.39
Equity Funds				
ASEAN	67.47	71.97	-1.77	
American	239.70	254.30	-6.20	..
Amer Spec Sits	109.30	116.60	-2.40	.
Japan Smaller Cos	47.11	50.26	-0.33	...
European	165.40	175.90	-0.20	.
European Opps	62.79	66.77	-0.16	.
Global Priv	24.79	26.32	-0.26	.
UK Growth	89.68	95.36	-0.75	...
Growth & Inc	149.50	157.90	-0.70	2.64
Intl PEP	36.88	39.22	-0.47	..
Japan Spec Sits	107.00	114.30	-0.90	...
Japan	217.50	232.00	-2.30	.
Managed Intl	281.00	299.70	-4.40	.
Moneybuilder	54.25	57.69	-0.42	
Recovery	48.19	51.24	-0.22	
South E Asia	159.60	170.50	-5.00	
Special Sits	529.30	561.80	-2.90	...
Specialist Funds				
UK Index	112.00	117.90	+0.60	2.30
UK Reverse Index	74.95	79.13	-0.20	3.87
Europe Index	100.00	105.30	-1.20	4.35
-do- Reverse Index	71.54	75.52	-2.59	6.88
America Index	104.90	110.40	-4.40	0.08
-do- Reverse Index	90.21	95.04	+0.65	0.23
Japan Index	140.20	147.60	-1.50	0.06
-do- Reverse Index	91.13	95.95	+0.51	0.71
Cash Accum Units	106.32	106.32	+0.04	4.20
FLEMING PRIVATE FUND MGMT LTD				
20 Finsbury St, Lond EC2Y 9AQ 071 814 2700				
Balanced	140.60	143.80		1.48
Inc Pfolio	89.15	90.82	-0.37	3.65
Cap Pfolio	150.00	152.90	-1.50	0.85
General Opps	121.60	125.70		3.14
Growth Inc	31.53	32.23	-0.10	1.58
Private Portfolio	397.10	406.00		1.45
FOREIGN & COLONIAL UNIT MGT				
Admin, PO Box 2001, Brentwood, Essex CM13 1AR Enq 071 464 1434 Dlg 0277 261 010				
Hypo Foreign & Colonial				
European	115.30	121.60	-0.60	0.35
Emrg Asian	179.10	194.60	-3.00	
High Income	22.15	23.56	+0.05	4.54
Overs Income	93.77	100.10	-0.62	2.82
UK Growth	113.50	121.40	-0.60	1.40
UK Income	107.20	114.30	-0.70	4.11
US Smaller Cos	290.20	310.40	-4.90	
FOSTER & BRAITHWAITE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX				
071 407 5966				
High Inc Eqs	50.23	53.41	-0.31	7.15
-do- Inv Tst Inc	80.10	85.21	-0.55	4.37
Intl Growth	73.70	78.50	-0.91	1.15
Investment Trust	95.46	101.55	-0.76	0.14
UK Smaller Cos	80.11	85.22	-0.26	1.26
FRAMLINGTON UNIT MGMT LTD				
155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT				
071 374 4100				
American Growth	54.14	57.67	-1.50	
(Accum Units)	54.04	57.67	-1.50	.
Amer Smllr Cos	463.00	495.10	+10.20	
(Accum Units)	473.00	505.80	+10.40	
Capital Tst	320.00	340.30	-1.20	1.41
(Accum Units)	452.70	481.50	-1.80	1.41
Conti Smllr Cos	60.72	65.32	-0.04	0.49
(Accum Units)	60.86	65.66	-0.04	0.49
Convertible	132.20	140.60	-0.20	5.17
(Accum Units)	260.70	277.30	-0.30	5.17
Emerging Markets	84.08	89.82	-1.10	
(Accum Units)	84.15	89.90	-1.11	
European	121.40	129.20	-1.10	.
(Accum Units)	127.20	135.40	-1.20	
Extra Income	336.40	357.90	-1.90	3.70
(Accum Units)	497.90	529.60	-2.90	3.70
Financial	121.70	130.80	-2.00	0.29
(Accum Units)	128.20	137.90	-2.20	0.29
Gilt Trust	61.75	63.24	-0.28	6.33
(Accum Units)	83.30	85.90	-0.39	6.33
Health Fund Inc	122.50	130.80	-2.80	...
(Accum Units)	122.50	130.90	-2.80	...
Income & Growth	198.50	211.10	-1.10	3.35
(Accum Units)	292.00	310.60	-1.60	3.35
Intl Growth	366.70	393.90	-6.70	
(Accum Units)	407.20	437.40	-7.40	
Japan & Gen	204.90	219.50	-2.50	
(Accum Units)	206.40	221.10	-2.50	
Managed Port Inc	106.50	112.10	-1.00	1.30
(Accum Units)	112.90	118.80	-1.00	1.30
Monthly Income	166.80	177.40	-0.60	3.72
Quarterly Income	53.82	57.24	-0.17	4.18
(Accum Units)	56.75	60.36	-0.19	4.18
Recovery	356.60	381.20	-3.10	...
(Accum Units)	419.60	448.70	-3.70	
UK Growth	52.83	56.50	+0.32	2.55
(Accum Units)	54.65	58.45	-0.34	2.55
FRIENDS PROVIDENT UNIT TRUSTS				
Enterprise Hse, Isambard Brunel Rd, P'mouth				
Dealing: 0705 881330 Enqs: 0705 881342				
FP Equity Dist	390.26	415.17	-5.21	2.70
-do- Accum	914.39	966.37	-10.87	2.70
FP Euro Gth Dist	139.27	148.16	-1.28	0.22
-do- Accum	144.84	154.09	-1.33	0.22
FP Fixed Int Dist	129.11	136.57	-0.97	7.19
-do- Accum	230.24	243.64	-1.72	7.19
FP Intl Gth Dist	96.50	102.76	-1.57	0.44
-do- Accum	100.77	107.20	-1.63	0.44
FP Nth Amer Dist	157.51	198.62	-4.71	0.77
-do- Accum	205.06	217.88	-5.16	0.77
FP Pac Basin Dist	336.60	358.19	-6.34	0.10
-do- Accum	343.52	365.45	-6.47	0.10
Stewardship Dist	335.87	357.31	-1.77	1.94
-do- Accum	405.23	432.16	-2.15	1.94
Swrdshp Inc Dist	73.44	76.13	-0.42	3.41
-do- Accum	95.61	99.80	-0.54	3.41
N Am Sunp Dist	98.55	104.84	-2.29	0.55
-do- Accum	104.38	111.04	-2.42	0.55
FP Managed Portfolio Service				
Capital Gwth Acc	110.70	117.70	.	0.84
Open Cap Gth Acc	113.50	120.70	.	0.0
Cap Gth Inc Inc	106.50	113.20	-0.10	1.63
Cap Gth Inc Acc	108.10	115.00	-0.10	1.63
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ic	107.90	114.70	-0.10	1.59
Opn Cp Gth Ic Ac	109.50	116.40	..	1.59
NM Intl Trusts				
American	44.30	47.12	-1.28	1.35
Australian	350.70	376.20	+15.00	0.0
Conscience	71.66	76.49	-1.50	0.42
European	202.50	215.70	-0.70	0.62
Extra Income	72.82	77.71	-0.11	5.71
Gilt & FI	54.97	58.01	+0.45	6.39
Gold	59.26	63.72	-2.91	0.0
Income	55.57	59.27	-0.37	3.75
Intnl	34.19	36.56	-0.52	0.58
Jap Smaller Cos	426.70	455.10	-6.80	0.0
Sing & Malaysian	272.20	291.50	+10.40	0.0
Smaller Cos	30.96	33.29	-0.02	0.56
Special Sits	36.91	39.68	-0.35	1.73
Sterling Deposit	100.60	100.60		4.50
Tokyo	97.15	103.60	-1.00	0.0
UK Equity	177.10	188.50	+1.10	2.05
US Smaller Cos	114.30	122.30	-2.60	0.0
GA UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
PO Box 237, York YO1 1LX 0345 581 106/7				
GANDA	240.60	254.40	-2.80	2.32
Cash	49.39	50.13	-0.01	3.78
Growth Portfolio	82.47	87.41	-1.40	0.06
Income Portfolio	66.59	70.79	-0.03	4.16
GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
Alban Gate, 14th Floor, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS 071 710 4567				
Dealing: 071 626 9431				
Amer Spec Sits	167.00	178.70	-2.80	
European	564.00	603.40	-0.30	0.45
Far East & Gen	300.70	321.70	-6.90	.
Germany	126.60	134.10	-0.40	
Income Inc	158.70	168.00	+1.00	4.35
International	352.90	377.50	-4.10	0.18
Intl Income	80.96	85.93	-1.21	4.02
Japan & General	441.20	469.90	-4.00	...
Korean Securities	73.34	78.44	-0.20	.
Smllr Cos Div Inc	49.05	52.46	-0.04	4.54
UK Capital (Inc)	173.30	187.50	-0.90	0.93
UK Spec Sits	91.66	98.04	-0.44	0.33
US & General	134.70	143.10	-2.70	
Wwide Spec Sits	159.00	170.00	-1.30	
GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS				
Gartmore House, 16-18 Monument St, London EC3R 8AJ 071 782 2000 Dlgs only: 0277 264 421				
Investor Services Freephone 0800 289 336				
UK Growth Funds				
British Growth	47.95	51.30	-0.06	2.24
Cash Trust	134.36	134.36	+0.05	3.69
Practical Inv Inc	119.23	126.45	-0.42	3.10
UK Index	150.60	155.12	-0.93	2.66
UK Smaller Cos	124.91	133.04	-0.32	0.95
Income Funds				
Preference Share	24.50	26.26	-0.90	9.20
High Income	33.78	36.13	-0.15	4.82
UK Equity Income	139.37	147.99	+1.12	3.51
Global Bond	27.95	28.98	-0.26	4.97
International Funds				
Emerging Markets	61.42	65.69	-1.08	
Global Inc & Gth	136.59	145.67	-1.78	1.61
[illegible]	120.22	128.58	-2.33	
Global Utilities	141.06	151.07	-2.43	0.79
Overseas Funds				
American	140.04	149.46	-3.56	0.37
European	97.88	103.54	-0.42	0.92
Euro Sel Opps	139.31	147.34	-0.15	
Amer Emerging	94.54	101.12	[illegible]	
Hong Kong	152.05	162.60	-6.17	1.44
Japan	230.42	245.97	-4.24	
Pacific Growth	233.58	251.74	-6.62	1.14
Gartmore Pensions Strategy Funds				
Managed Equity	212.02	217.92	-1.88	1.92
Long Term Bal	235.35	235.95	-2.01	2.25
Med Term Bal	196.78	196.78	-3.55	3.07
UK Equity	242.80	247.50	-1.44	2.35
UK Emerging Cos	141.09	141.09	-0.21	2.03
American	232.70	232.70	-3.70	1.25
Japan	143.20	143.20	-2.26	
European	257.33	257.33	-1.13	0.80
Index Linked Gilt	163.64	163.64	-0.16	3.06
Fixed Interest	149.87	149.87	+0.54	6.97
Amer Emerging	254.70	254.70	-5.12	
Pacific	255.56	253.56	-12.06	0.77
Emerging Mkts	190.44	190.44	-2.50	[illegible]
Index Strat Japan	196.95	196.95		[illegible]
-do- Pacific Rim	102.01	102.01		1.01
-do- Cont Europe	144.50	144.50		[illegible]
Index Strat USA	126.67	126.67		[illegible]
Gartmore Personal Pension Funds				
Managed Equity	102.95	108.52	+0.95	
Med Term Bal	93.36	99.32	+0.59	
Long Term Bal	105.19	112.97	-0.77	
UK Equity	112.77	119.92	-0.71	
UK Emerging Cos	74.54	79.29	-0.11	
American	109.11	115.01	-2.86	
Japan	68.92	73.32	-1.16	
European	102.29	110.13	-0.50	
Fixed Interest	75.61	80.41	+0.44	
Index Linked Gilt	72.66	77.30	+0.08	
Deposit	74.40	74.47	+0.03	
Broker Unit Trusts				
Berkeley Inv Gth	126.77	133.44	-0.71	
Berkeley Income	113.53	119.50	-0.12	2.12
BWH Intl	141.35	148.79	-0.06	0.57
British Gth Port Inc	61.77	65.19	-0.05	1.25
-do- Inc Port Inc	57.70	60.25	-0.01	3.40
-do- Wwide Port	54.04	57.04	-0.06	0.50
Shaw Utilities	72.06	75.55	-0.94	2.26
GLENFRIARS UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
22 Suffolk St, London SW1Y 4HS 071 930 7525				
Inv Opportunities	145.01	153.00		0.62
Higher Income	122.96	132.40		1.93
GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT				
GAM Sterling Management Ltd				
12 St James's Place, London SW1 071 493 9990				
£ Intl Inc	552.49	597.75	..	0.62
European Inc	146.40	156.25	..	1.25
Amalgam Inc	151.41	160.31		
N America Inc	331.62	352.70		
Far East Inc	370.42	394.06		
UK Divid Inc	177.72	190.04		0.86
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Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 407 7995				
UK Equity Inc	94.04	99.01	-1.06	3.56
UK Small Cos	47.26	50.55	-0.19	1.04
British Growth	54.03	57.72	-0.67	2.01
American Gwth	154.52	165.26	-4.16	
Japan Gwth	92.14	98.77	-1.01	.
Greater China	204.57	218.79	-4.95	
Pacific Strategy	179.94	192.34	-3.44	
European Gwth	87.20	93.26	-0.55	0.56
Intl Growth	152.66	163.27	-2.33	0.51
US Index (£)	13.34	14.06	-0.19	7.50
FT-SE Mid 250 Ind	76.27	82.96	-0.06	2.31
Monthly Income	39.94	42.53	-0.28	10.00
MIS Unit Trust Dealing 081 605 0033				
Gvt UK Index (£)	11.32	11.93	+0.24	3.60

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Mint Hse, 77 Mansell St, London E1 8AF				
071 488 1212				
Small Cos	94.62	100.66	..	1.17
Bridge Income	269.52	286.72	..	5.21
GUARDIAN ROYAL EX UT MGRS LTD				
36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE				
071 538 9668				
Cash	136.30	136.30	-0.10	3.31
European	491.40	524.90	-2.50	0.19
Gilt & Fixed	123.30	130.80	-0.70	5.06
Growth Equity	339.20	362.30	-3.90	1.80
Income Trust	131.90	140.40	-1.80	2.83
International	189.60	202.50	-3.40	
Japan Trust	140.90	150.50	-1.60	...
Nth American	264.50	282.50	-8.50	0.26
Pacific	586.20	626.20	-20.00	..
Guardhill	492.30	525.60	-4.80	1.88
GUINNESS FLIGHT UT MGRS LTD				
5 Gainsford Street, London SE1 2NE				
071 522 2129				
EMU Trust	98.44	103.15	-0.08	9.13
Global High Inc	100.46	104.25	-0.38	8.15
Prem Fixed Int	99.97	103.78	+0.50	5.22
Eqty & Bond Inc	105.77	110.33	+1.03	4.76
European Growth	101.72	108.15	-0.47	..
Intl PEP Trust	61.95	65.87	-0.46	...
High Income	125.58	133.52	-2.80	3.81
Recovery	398.90	424.20	-2.20	1.37
St Vinc High Inc	131.79	131.76	-0.71	6.55
Tmp Bar Emer Co	248.80	264.40	-0.70	1.47
Tmp Br Sm Co In	371.10	377.70	-1.00	1.92
Glob Priv Tst	96.30	102.48	+1.15	1.16
Inc Share Tst	96.85	103.01	+0.17	7.74
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Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 390				
Model Pfolio	205.70	219.20	+2.00	2.04
Smaller Cos	34.77	36.99	-0.03	0.81
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PO Box 2157, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4ET				
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UK Funds				
Special Sits	293.65	314.20	-1.64	1.36
Best of British	66.14	69.24	-0.27	2.39
UK Smaller Cos	124.27	133.59	-0.34	1.12
High Income Funds				
Income & Growth	279.31	297.46	-1.10	2.97
High Income	327.50	350.99	-1.36	3.71
Extra Income	283.72	301.31	-1.55	4.86
Pref & Gilt	44.28	47.60	-0.07	9.16
International				
International	281.48	300.25	-2.71	..
Global Bond	52.11	55.38	-0.24	5.66
Family of Funds	83.57	89.15	-0.06	0.19
Global Tech	145.49	155.60	-2.20	
Overseas Funds				
Asian Enterprise	199.73	202.84	-5.29	.
European	478.16	507.49	-0.07	0.36
European Income	82.31	87.29	-0.20	2.52
Euro Smlr Cos	149.08	159.67	-0.58	
Eur Sp Sits	70.11	74.58	-0.09	0.24
Japan Trust	240.26	255.53	-1.23	.
Japan Special Sits	269.78	287.18	-0.20	.
Pacific Smlr Cos	274.13	291.64	-6.54	.
North American	238.10	253.06	-6.42	0.32
American Smaller	103.54	110.68	-3.14	
Henderson TR Pension Portfolio				
American Growth	54.99	58.28	-1.68	.
Eur Sp Sits	60.17	63.77	-0.09	.
General Growth	43.80	46.43	-0.18	...
Global Tech	56.91	60.32	-0.85	.
Income Growth	42.49	45.03	-0.17	.
Japan Growth	29.39	31.15	-0.15	..
Overseas Growth	41.12	43.58	-0.40	..
Smaller Cos	22.03	23.35	-0.40	..
Special Opps	29.18	30.93	-0.08	..
Wwide Sp Sits	51.30	54.37	-0.50	...
HILL SAMUEL UNIT TST MGRS				
NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon				
081 686 4355				
British	99.48	106.30	-0.50	1.77
Capital	177.30	189.60	-1.80	1.51
Dollar	340.60	364.20	+10.10	.
European	233.50	249.60	-0.70	..
Far East	351.20	375.60	-10.30	0.16
Financial	814.60	871.40	-7.20	1.31
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	24.86	25.95	-0.09	7.86
High Yield	107.10	114.50	-0.50	4.25
Income & Growth	146.10	156.20	-0.60	3.37
International	261.70	279.80	-4.60	...
Japanese General	225.50	241.10	-1.80	...
Japan Tech	92.57	99.00	-1.09	...
Nat Resources	77.01	82.36	-2.38	...
Portfolio	73.97	79.02	-0.55	1.44
Security	333.70	356.90	-1.00	1.81
Smaller Cos	130.30	139.30	-0.30	0.99
Special Sits	153.20	163.80	-0.70	1.32
UK Emerging Cos	92.41	98.83	-0.40	0.43
US Smaller Cos	72.39	77.21	-2.68	...

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UK Index	140.60	150.12	-0.90	2.85
Active Funds				
American Growth	479.60	511.50	-12.10	0.67
Asian	92.15	98.20	-2.61	0.14
Capital	599.40	638.60	-5.45	1.77
European Growth	115.50	122.70	-0.40	
Global Bond	20.61	21.97	-0.25	6.74
Hong Kong Gwth	111.0	118.50	-4.70	0.61
Income	57.01	61.60	-0.20	3.57
Japan Growth	320.00	341.00	-1.10	
Japan Smllr Cos	41.74	44.55	-0.39	
Spore & M'sian Gth	92.40	98.15	-3.21	
Midland Unit Trusts				
Dealing [illegible]				
Enquiries [illegible]				
Balanced	60.60	64.90	-0.46	2.43
(Accum Units)	62.44	67.20	-0.48	2.43
British Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.62	1.56
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Extra High Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gilt & Fxd Int	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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High Yield	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.90	5.00
Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	3.14
Money Market UT	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.03
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.03
Monthly Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Midland Personal Pension Unit Trusts				
British	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
European Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0.02
Gilt & Fixed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Managed	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.50	2.43
Money Market	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.46
North American	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Midland FSAVCS Unit Trust				
British	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.97
European Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.40	0.01
Gilt & Fixed Int	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.33
Japan Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Managed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	2.43
Money Market	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.41
North American	[illegible]	[illegible]	-1.95	0.57
Midland Executive Pension Unit Trust				
British	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.91
European Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.50	
Gilt & Fixed Int	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Japan Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.50	
Managed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Money Market	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
North American	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
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071 626 3434 Dealing: 0800 010 733				
UK Specialist Trusts				
Investment Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Smaller Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0.55
Special Features	[illegible]	[illegible]	-0.54	1.59
Accum Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.53
General Funds				
Managed	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Super Chip Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
High Income Funds				
Cashbuilder Dist	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cashbuilder Inc	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Extra Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gilt & Fixed Int	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Income & Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
UK Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	-2.50	3.37
Overseas Growth Funds				
American Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.10
US Smaller Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Europe Port	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
(Accum Units)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Euro Smaller Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	...
French Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Accum Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
H Kong & China	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.56
Intl Growth	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0.42
Accum Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	0.42
Japan Port	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Accum Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Japan Smaller Cos	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Glob Ertg Mkts	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
Accum Units	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
SE Asia	[illegible]	[illegible]	-4.70	0.36
Overseas Income Funds				
Global Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.51
Intl Bond	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	5.62

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071 581 3020				
American Cap	145.70	154.90	+2.93	...
Income	148.34	157.80	-0.86	3.79
UK Growth	55.21	58.73	+0.01	0.92
International	89.84	95.56	+1.60	0.29
Ecology	82.84	88.12	+0.98	1.22
European	117.85	125.08	-0.25	..
Far Eastern	353.00	375.50	-1.99	.
KLEINWORT BENSON UNIT TRUSTS				
10 Fenchurch Street, London EC3				
Dealers: 071 956 7354				
Income Trusts				
Extra Income	52.83	56.20	...	6.83
Gilt Yield	112.90	119.10	..	7.17
Global Income	230.30	245.00	.	3.71
High Yield	144.30	153.90	.	5.67
Smllr Cos Div	54.49	57.97		2.74
Capital Growth Trusts				
Amer Smllr Cos	93.84	99.83	..	..
North American	77.24	82.17	.	0.24
European Special	100.00	106.40	...	0.14
European	157.30	167.30		0.36
General	277.40	295.10		3.05
Japan	471.80	501.90		.
Japanese Special	288.40	306.80	..	
Master Accum	250.40	266.40	...	0.81
Pacific	370.30	393.90		0.21
Smaller Cos	115.40	122.80	...	0.52
UK Equity Growth	42.33	45.03	...	1.50
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071 629 1683				
Global Inc & Gth	65.97	70.19	+1.04	...
Inv Trust	73.16	77.84	-0.52	..
Cautious Inc/Gth	60.31	64.17	+0.54	0.80
High Inc Acc	56.52	60.13	-0.49	3.50
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071 588 2800				
Income	611.60	624.10	-9.40	5.14
Intl & General	448.40	457.60	+10	0.01
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Inc & Growth Inc	57.58	61.26	-0.31	4.39
Smaller Cos	56.60	59.89	+0.02	0.83
LAURENTIAN UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
Laurentian Hse, Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ Enq: 0452 371 500 Dlg: 0452 371 623				
Growth Trust	255.10	271.40	-1.90	1.91
High Income	111.00	118.10	-0.70	3.94
International	103.80	110.40	-2.00	0.61
Recovery Trust	66.90	71.17	-0.43	1.28
European Trust	84.99	90.41	-0.06	0.63
Japanese Trust	49.68	52.85	-0.83	...
American Trust	85.04	90.47	-2.84	.
Managed	69.58	74.02	-0.66	0.39
Cash	50.63	50.63	+0.01	3.62
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UK Cap	365.60	371.80	-2.80	2.24
UK Inc/Gth	393.90	399.90	-3.70	3.23
UK Income	276.60	281.10	-2.00	3.97
UK Sm Cos	248.00	254.10	-0.50	1.56
Euro Gwth	126.80	128.00	-2.30	..
N Amer Gwth	78.85	79.55	-1.67	0.11
Japan Growth	74.17	74.95	-1.07	..
Money Mkt	120.09	120.09	..	2.290
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Equity Income	99.92	106.30	-0.70	3.67
UK Tactical Allocn	57.48	61.04	+0.15	2.87
European	117.70	125.20	-1.80	0.93
Far Eastern	258.10	274.60	-9.10	..
Fixed Interest	50.50	53.72	+0.41	7.37
Gilt	86.86	92.11	-0.43	8.67
Global Growth	93.25	88.56	-1.90	0.82
Ind Bond	50.91	54.03	+0.41	4.89
Japanese	86.25	91.76	-1.70	..
North American	149.90	159.50	+4.30	0.44
Pacific Growth	125.00	133.00	-4.10	.
UK Index	64.24	67.80	-0.41	2.94
UK Recovery	94.25	100.30	-0.52	1.72
UK Smaller Cos	124.80	132.80	+0.30	1.15
US Index	59.45	62.74	-1.53	1.74
European Index	74.33	78.45	-0.17	1.57
Japan Index	45.96	48.51	-0.37	.
Worldwide	87.84	93.45	-1.00	1.30
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081 902 8876 Dealing: 0800 282 621				
Growth	51.92	55.53	-0.41	1.59
Income	61.69	65.99	-0.43	2.54
Far East	61.18	65.43	-1.50	...
North American	89.50	96.18	-2.47	...
Global	96.96	103.70	-1.90	...
European	88.63	94.79	-0.36	0.30
Japan	122.60	131.10	-1.60	..
Intl Currency Bd	57.49	60.93	-0.36	4.40
SE Asia	122.00	130.40	-3.90	0.22
UK Cap Growth	94.99	101.50	-0.30	1.77
LLOYDS BK UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
PO Box 63, Chatham, Kent ME4 4YB				
Helpdesk: 0634 834 339 Dealing: 0634 834 313				
Balanced	352.60	375.30	-7.40	2.74
-do- Acc	791.10	841.60	-8.70	2.74
Conti Euro Gth	64.14	67.52	-0.58	0.01
-do- Acc	68.32	71.92	-0.61	0.01
Extra Inc	265.50	282.50	-2.50	3.77
-do- Acc	673.70	716.80	-6.10	3.77
German Gth	131.10	138.00	-1.40	0.10
-do- Acc	137.50	144.90	-1.60	0.10
Growth Port	555.40	590.90	-3.50	0.08
-do- Acc	560.20	596.00	-3.40	0.08
Income	502.70	534.80	-5.10	3.48
-do- Acc	£13.29	£14.14	+13.00	3.48
Income Port	521.70	555.10	-4.00	4.02
-do- Acc	543.30	578.00	-4.20	4.02
Japan Growth	119.00	125.60	-2.50	..
-do- Acc	119.40	126.00	-2.30	.
Master Trust	59.23	63.02	-0.70	1.33
-do- Acc	66.11	70.34	-0.78	1.33
N American Gen	183.10	194.90	-4.10	..
-do- Acc	211.50	225.00	-4.70	..
N Am Sm Co Pec	137.70	146.50	-3.30	..
-do- Acc	140.50	149.50	-3.30	
Pacific Basin	282.30	300.40	-1.70	0.33
-do- Acc	299.40	318.60	-1.70	0.33
Small Cos Rec	364.10	382.30	-0.50	1.92
-do- Acc	492.20	507.90	-0.70	1.92
UK Growth	87.95	93.57	-0.94	2.37
-do- Acc	105.60	112.40	-1.10	2.37
Worldwide Gth	330.90	352.13	-1.50	0.25
-do- Acc	485.10	519.30	-2.10	0.25
LONDON & MANCHESTER TST MGMT				
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS 0392 282 673				
American	66.72	71.59	-1.63	0.10
General	88.62	95.08	-0.60	2.20
Income	69.06	74.19	-0.58	4.40
International	68.00	72.95	-1.22	0.40
Japan	65.29	70.04	-1.13	
Tst of Inv Trusts	72.24	77.51	-0.62	1.50
M & G SECURITIES				
M & G House, Victoria Road, Chelmsford CM1 1FB Cust Svcs/Unit Dlg: 0245 390 390				
Amer & General	404.50	427.80	-11.00	0.64
(Accum Units)	502.00	531.00	-14.40	0.64
Amer Recovery	467.00	493.90	-10.90	0.31
(Accum Units)	535.30	566.20	-12.90	0.31
Amer Smllr Cos	130.40	137.90	-3.30	.
(Accum Units)	133.20	140.90	-3.40	
Australasian	176.40	186.50	-5.00	1.47
(Accum Units)	215.90	228.10	-6.10	1.47
Capital	941.30	[illegible]	-5.00	2.08
(Accum Units)	958.40	[illegible]	-9.20	2.09
Charifund	714.00	721.20	-9.00	5.20
(Accum Units)	£22.39	£22.72	-44.40	5.20
Commodity	410.20	433.80	-11.00	0.35
(Accum Units)	601.40	636.10	-17.10	0.35
Compound Grth	957.30	£10.10	-10.90	2.52
(Accum Units)	988.70	£10.45	-11.10	2.52
Dividend	41.50	43.90	+0.50	4.53
(Accum Units)	170.40	180.30	-2.30	4.53
Equity Income	358.90	379.50	-2.80	4.55
(Accum Units)	450.80	487.00	-3.50	4.55
Euro & General	519.40	549.30	-1.27	0.54
(Accum Units)	655.70	693.90	-1.50	0.54
Euro Dividend	71.70	75.80	-0.30	3.50
(Accum Units)	85.50	90.40	-0.49	3.50
Extra Yield	434.00	459.01	-6.50	4.35
(Accum Units)	£15.16	£13.92	+19.70	4.33
Far Eastern	386.60	408.90	-9.50	0.42
(Accum Units)	512.10	541.50	-12.60	0.42
Fund of Inv Tsts	623.60	670.00	-3.90	1.57
(Accum Units)	£11.74	£12.42	-9.50	1.57
General	62.10	65.70	-0.90	3.55
(Accum Units)	171.20	181.30	-1.40	3.55
Gilt Income	54.60	56.71	-0.44	7.32
(Accum Units)	157.95	158.34	-1.19	7.32
Gold	73.80	79.00	-2.60	0.62
(Accum Units)	87.10	92.00	-3.00	0.62
High Income	29.30	31.00	-0.40	4.39
(Accum Units)	115.30	122.10	-1.50	4.39
Inc Growth	91.50	96.20	-1.50	0.70
(Accum Units)	141.90	150.10	-2.50	0.70
International Inc	104.30	110.41	-1.50	4.19
(Accum Units)	150.60	159.40	-2.10	4.19
Japan & Gen	54.40	57.50	-1.10	
(Accum Units)	58.40	61.70	-1.20	
Japan Smlr Cos	198.00	209.40	-3.70	
(Accum Units)	199.40	210.90	-7.90	
Managed Income	28.20	29.60	-0.30	3.41
Midland	65.90	69.70	-0.20	2.55
(Accum Units)	216.70	229.20	-0.90	2.55
Pension Ex	966.70	990.90	-12.10	2.38
Recovery	43.10	45.60	-0.90	2.27
(Accum Units)	70.00	74.10	-0.90	2.27
Second General	73.70	77.90	-0.90	3.22
(Accum Units)	186.00	198.70	-1.90	3.22
Smaller Cos	69.40	73.40		2.73
(Accum Units)	137.10	145.00		2.73
Treasury	24.97	25.03	-0.01	4.83
Trustee	44.20	46.70	-0.60	3.94
(Accum Units)	174.30	184.30	-2.30	3.94
MGM UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
MGM House, Heene Rd, Worthing				
Dealing: 0277 261 010 Enq: 0905 204 633				
European Growth	82.74	88.02	-0.53	0.62
High Income	295.00	313.80	-2.90	4.37
Intl Bond	62.16	65.36	-0.52	6.04
Intl Equity Growth	73.20	77.97	-1.18	0.39
N Amer Growth	97.29	103.49	-2.99	0.85
Special Sits Growth	22.11	23.52	-0.17	1.52
UK Growth	384.00	408.50	-4.80	2.62

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
MW INVESTMENT MANAGERS LTD				
46 Court St, Haddington, E Lothian				
062 082 5967				
Joint Investors	£13.13	£13.35	.	2.30
MALDON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
c/o Baillie Gifford 1 Rutland Ct EH3 8EY				
031 222 4242				
Maldon General	142.40	146.40	...	4.11
MANULIFE MANAGEMENT LTD				
St George's Way, Stevenage				
Dealings: 0438 747 414				
Growth Units	197.20	210.90	-2.00	2.31
Gilt & Fxd Int	163.40	172.10	+1.30	6.97
Intl Growth	221.40	235.70	+4.70	0.15
North American	184.60	196.90	-5.40	0.35
Far East	294.30	314.60	-9.00	0.57
UK Smaller Cos	172.00	184.00	+0.60	1.71
European	83.72	89.13	-0.32	0.15
Japanese Growth	54.19	57.63	-0.91	.
High Income	194.10	207.60	+2.50	4.28
MARKS & SPENCER UNIT TRUST LTD				
PO Box 410, Chester X CH99 9QG 0244 688 066				
M & S Inv Pfolio	152.90	162.60	-0.87	1.98
-do- Accum	174.10	185.20	-0.87	1.98
UK Sel Pfolio	132.30	140.60	-0.72	2.20
-do- Accum	152.00	161.70	-0.72	2.20
MARLBOROUGH FUND MGRS LTD				
57 Victoria Square, Bolton BL1 1LA				
0204 364 842				
Managed Tst	62.88	66.89	..	4.03
MARTIN CURRIE UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Saltire Ct, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh				
031 479 4646				
Intl Income	74.56	79.15	+1.06	4.00
European	82.63	87.72	-0.77	0.40
Income & Growth	75.06	79.68	-0.05	2.71
Nth American	60.01	63.70	-1.66	0.63
Far East	188.40	200.00	-5.70	...
Japan	64.01	67.95	-0.69	...
Emrging Mkts	119.90	128.20	-2.20	...
Intl Growth	114.90	122.00	-1.20	0.31
UK Growth	89.82	95.35	-0.64	0.77
UK Smlr Co	46.69	49.57	+0.09	0.53
Asian Opps Fd	43.08	46.07	-1.34	0.12
MAYFLOWER MANAGEMENT CO LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1				
071 407 5966				
Income	428.58	455.94	+3.54	3.74
Global Inc	68.19	72.54	-0.61	2.50
Brit Leaders	349.30	371.60	-2.41	2.44
Ind Leaders	203.97	216.99	-3.23	0.99
PAM Mg Bal Grth	64.95	67.48	-0.03	0.67
MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD				
33 King William St EC4R 9AS				
Dealing: 071 280 2060				
American	203.00	215.80	-4.20	
(Accum Units)	216.90	230.60	-4.50	...
British Blue Chip	81.73	86.91	-0.89	2.86
(Accum Units)	98.93	105.20	-1.10	2.86
Cash	100.50	100.50	+0.10	4.70
(Accum Units)	135.50	135.50	+0.10	4.70
Emerging Mkts	130.80	140.60	-1.50	0.18
European Growth	251.40	266.30	-2.40	0.27
(Accum Units)	271.30	287.40	-2.70	0.27
European Income	83.56	88.29	-0.48	3.25
(Accum Units)	111.30	117.60	-0.70	3.25
General	513.10	547.30	-4.20	2.26
(Accum Units)	994.10	1060	-8.00	2.26
Global Bond	121.40	127.50	+0.50	6.42
(Accum Units)	142.90	150.10	+0.50	6.42
Gold & General	223.80	240.60	-9.00	0.37
(Accum Units)	229.60	246.90	-9.20	0.37
Govt Securities	88.19	90.93	+0.57	6.23
(Accum Units)	167.50	172.70	-1.00	6.23
Income	155.90	166.90	-1.60	4.18
(Accum Units)	239.90	255.20	-2.50	4.18
Inc Portfolio	97.19	103.10	-1.00	5.04
(Accum Units)	97.19	103.10	-1.00	5.04
International	484.90	515.60	-7.20	0.31
(Accum Units)	646.60	687.60	-9.60	0.31
Japan	214.00	226.80	-4.00	..
(Accum Units)	219.70	232.80	-4.20	...
New Europe	183.70	195.90	-1.40	0.72
(Accum Units)	187.70	200.20	-1.30	0.72
Pacific	134.00	142.90	-3.80	0.81
(Accum Units)	143.30	152.90	-4.00	0.81
Recovery	319.40	340.70	-0.20	0.76
(Accum Units)	406.10	433.20	-0.30	0.76
UK Smaller Cos	59.94	63.94	-1.64	0.84
(Accum Units)	67.90	72.32	-1.87	0.84
Portfolio	82.69	87.94	-0.93	2.63
(Accum Units)	96.19	102.30	-1.10	2.63
METROPOLITAN UT MGRS LTD				
3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ				
0707 662 233				
Eurogrowth Plus	117.17	124.65	-1.04	0.86
Portfolio	69.21	73.63	+0.82	0.07
UK Income Inc	79.67	84.75	+0.41	4.42
MILLENNIUM FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge SE1				
071 407 5966				
International (US$)	12.20	12.98	...	...
MORGAN GRENFELL INVEST FDS LTD				
20 Finsbury Circus, London EC2M 1UT				
Dealers: 071 826 0826 Enquiries: 071 826 0123				
American Gwth	324.30	344.70	-8.80	..
European Gth Inc	419.40	450.10	-3.60	0.29
Intl Gwth	202.60	215.90	-4.50	..
UK Equity Inc	184.40	196.80	-1.80	2.88
UK Ind Trckr Inc	161.50	172.90	-1.70	2.01
US Eq Ind Trk Inc	198.20	210.10	-5.80	1.36
Japan Tracker	84.39	89.40	-1.04	..
Asian Trader	227.00	245.30	-7.20	0.24
Managed Inc	156.20	167.90	-1.50	1.48
Deposit Inc	99.87	99.87	+0.03	3.76
Europa	183.40	198.70	-1.40	0.26
Genesis	155.90	170.40	-0.30	2.23
High Income	22.29	23.67	-0.06	10.00
MURRAY JOHNSTONE UT MGMT				
7 West Nile St, Glasgow G1 2PX 0345 090 933				
Acumen	95.81	98.08	-0.96	2.16
Acumen Inc	91.70	93.87	-0.93	2.16
Acumen Reserve	80.12	80.92	-0.39	7.93
-do- Inc	70.99	71.70	-0.35	7.93
American Growth	171.50	176.20	-4.30	0.06
Cash Income	49.63	49.63	+0.02	3.90
Equity Income	99.55	102.10	-1.20	4.16
European	74.35	75.78	-0.79	0.12
Smaller Cos	80.25	83.87	-0.20	1.03
Olympiad	71.00	72.73	-1.10	...
Global Bond	42.75	43.19	+0.09	7.05
UK Growth	93.36	96.02	-0.79	1.69
Pacific Growth	115.30	118.90	-2.60	0.09
Japan Growth	105.00	106.70	-0.50	.
NFU MUTUAL UNIT MGRS LTD				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Essex				
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Avon Equity	123.55	131.44	-0.29	2.74
N&P UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD				
35 Fountain St, Manchester M2 2AF				
061 237 5322				
UK Growth	74.36	79.11	-0.53	2.11
UK Income	111.50	118.70	-1.70	3.61
Gilt & Fixed Int	67.29	71.21	+0.27	6.37
Higher Income	224.40	238.80	-0.90	4.54
Smaller Cos	83.81	89.17	-0.30	1.77
International	99.33	105.68	-1.02	1.72
NATIONAL PROV INV MGRS LTD				
48 Gracechurch St EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200				
Americas Dist	107.80	115.30	-3.50	...
European Dist	113.10	121.00	-3.0	...
Far East Dist	206.00	220.30	-6.00	...
Global Care Dist	69.18	73.99	-0.52	2.06
Overs Dist	£10.90	£11.66	-17.20	0.09
UK Dist	350.00	374.30	-2.10	2.55
UK Extra Inc Dist	77.17	82.53	-0.36	3.68
Wwide Dist	110.30	117.90	-1.50	...
Wwide Inc Dist	72.37	77.40	-0.64	1.96
NATIONAL WESTMINSTER UT MGRS				
5 Rayleigh Road, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex				
Dlg: 0277 690 280 Admin Enq: 0277 690 398				
Europe Inc	64.99	68.59	-0.45	0.47
Fund of Funds Inc	60.28	63.62	-0.65	0.82
North America Inc	49.39	52.13	-1.42	0.50
UK Equity Grth Inc	60.70	64.06	-0.42	1.95
UK General Inc	59.38	62.67	-0.37	2.39
UK Gilt/Fix Int Inc	45.73	48.16	-0.22	7.29
UK Income Inc	59.31	62.60	-0.34	2.88
NEWTON FUND MGRS LTD				
71 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4DR				
Dealer: 0500 440 000 Private client: 0500 550 000 Broker: 0500 660 000				
Price enquiry freephone 0500 33 00 00				
Income	234.93	249.93	-2.02	3.38
Global	357.60	380.43	-6.39	0.71
General	194.06	206.47	-1.70	1.90
Bond	117.25	124.50	-1.61	7.26
Growth	129.04	136.27	-0.73	2.30
Intrepid	122.08	122.17	..	1.70
Bridge Fund	87.17	92.74		
Distributor	93.60	99.79	-0.63	3.41
NORWICH UNION TST MANAGERS				
PO Box 124, Surrey Street, Norwich				
0603 682 234				
Master Trust	126.73	134.80	-0.91	1.68
UK Equity	141.64	150.68	-0.73	2.81
UK Equity Income	136.88	145.62	-0.74	2.97
UK Smaller Cos	120.57	128.27	-0.42	1.30
UK Equity Growth	132.30	140.74	-0.66	1.96
UK Index Trckg	141.94	151.00	-1.21	3.25
Intl Index Trckg	149.04	158.55	-2.31	1.02
International	242.76	258.25	-3.62	0.32
European	196.98	209.55	-0.26	0.24
Pan European	134.46	143.04	-0.52	1.25
Nth American	164.06	174.55	-4.00	0.52
N Amer Smlr Cos	182.00	193.62	-4.31	.
Japanese	107.35	114.29	-0.95	..
Pacific	255.74	272.06	-5.22	..
South East Asian	279.56	297.40	-6.31	0.26
Intl Bond	128.26	136.37	-1.58	4.75
Gilt & Convertible	101.16	107.54	-0.22	6.71
Property	86.59	92.12	-0.59	4.96
PEARL UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Pearl Centre, Lynch Wd, Peterborough PE2 6FY Dlg: 0800 626 577 Enq: 0733 470 470				
Equity	247.00	262.80	-2.70	2.31
Growth	155.40	166.70	-1.40	2.41
Income	247.20	263.00	-3.00	3.44
Intl Equity	260.70	277.30	-4.60	0.70
UK Income	67.51	72.15	-0.71	3.11
UK Intl 25	81.60	86.80	-1.03	1.75
New Europe	81.26	86.44	-0.44	0.10
PERPETUAL UNIT TST MGMT				
48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417 000				
Intl Gwth	629.77	673.56	-5.81	0.33
Income	344.29	368.17	-0.73	3.16
Wwide Recovery	400.25	428.08	+5.09	0.11
Amer Growth Inc	221.32	236.71	-3.36	0.01
Intl Emerging Cos	255.56	273.33	-2.41	0.00
Far Estn Grth Inc	316.12	338.10	-4.54	0.01
Euro Gwth Inc	146.40	156.58	-0.61	0.53
UK Growth Inc	97.94	103.47	-0.11	2.58
High Income	93.79	100.32	-0.14	4.04
Jap Gwth Inc	260.40	277.21	-3.95	0.01
PEP Growth	123.47	132.06	-1.23	0.65
Asian Sir Mkts Inc	135.22	144.68	-1.97	0.01
Amer Smlr Co Inc	129.26	138.25	-1.83	0.01
Global Bond	54.86	57.91	-0.30	5.95
UK Smaller Cos Inc	79.37	84.99	-1.16	1.09
PILGRIM UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
39 Pilgrim Street, Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 6RQ 091 201 3927				
American	102.01	108.52	-0.38	
European	71.42	76.40	-0.01	
Global	68.95	73.35		
Pacific	68.77	73.16	-0.35	..
UK Inc & Grth	66.07	70.29	-0.10	1.97
POINTON YORK UT MGRS				
The Crescent, King St, Leicester LE1 6RX				
0533 558 540				
Bal Director Dlgs	104.29	111.07	+0.05	0.35
PORTFOLIO FUND MGMT LTD				
1 White Hart Yard, London SE1 1NX				
071 407 5966				
Portfolio	161.62	170.13	-0.75	0.62
PREMIUM LIFE UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
37 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath				
0444 458 721				
Monthly Income	60.51	64.14	+0.06	2.22
Growth Income	64.67	68.55	-0.07	1.90
PRINCIPAL UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
16 South Park, Sevenoaks TN13 1AN				
0732 740 700				
Principal Tst	134.15	142.72	+0.23	1.73

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PROLIFIC UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook EC4N 8LD				
Enquiries: 071 280 3700 Dealing: 0800 262 443				
American Income	95.19	101.30	-2.26	3.35
Conv & Gilt	116.50	123.00	-0.30	5.83
European Income	77.03	81.95	-0.19	2.70
Extra Income	155.60	165.60	-1.20	3.71
Far East	440.20	468.30	-7.00	0.25
Global Income	26.40	28.09	-0.13	4.37
High Income	119.90	127.50	-1.10	3.34
International	221.30	235.40	-3.40	0.50
Pref & Fxd Int	41.39	44.03	-0.23	7.42
Recovery	76.00	81.81	-0.42	2.34
Special Sits	108.70	115.70	-0.50	1.22
Technology	328.30	349.10	-7.50	..
UK Blue Chip	69.96	74.43	-0.67	2.77
PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MGMT LTD				
1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone ME14 1XX				
0622 674 751				
General	54.95	58.46	-0.37	2.04
International	93.01	99.90	-1.20	0.36
Gilt	24.27	25.03	+0.08	6.53
Income & Gwth	73.10	77.77	-0.64	5.14
European	53.63	57.05	+0.09	0.41
American	54.04	57.49	-1.11	.
Emerging Mkts	94.38	100.40	-1.39	0.04
UK Smaller Cos	30.27	32.20	-0.16	2.16
Gilt/Fixed Interest	25.10	26.70	-0.11	6.83
Global PEP	41.35	43.99	+0.07	1.11
PROVIDENCE CAPITOL FD MGRS LTD				
2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA				
0256 768 888				
European Inc	273.10	293.90	-0.20	0.76
Japan Inc	121.20	129.40	-0.60	...
Nth American Inc	109.93	118.40	-2.70	0.12
Worldwide Inc	172.30	185.20	-3.10	0.70
Hong Kong Inc	152.10	163.40	-6.20	0.20
Swiss Equities Inc	66.61	71.27	-0.61	0.36
Wwide Bond Inc	60.19	63.67	-0.62	5.46
Emrging Asia Inc	234.20	255.40	-3.40	0.40
UK Money Mkt Inc	50.14	50.14	-0.03	4.93
Thailand Inc	175.30	188.80	-7.20	0.67
Gold Trust Inc	83.68	90.50	-2.96	0.15
New Zealand Inc	89.64	96.46	-1.90	1.14
Intl Mngd PEP Inc	67.70	73.02	-0.79	1.64
Latin Am Cmp Inc	95.85	103.20	-0.40	0.03
UK All Sh Mirr Inc	59.59	63.95	-0.44	2.10
Broker Unit Trusts				
Global Trustees	82.28	88.00	-0.11	1.45
Global Portfolio	73.87	79.01	-0.05	...
Global Opps	75.87	80.80	-0.30	0.43
Marsh Global Grth	70.53	74.58	-1.17	1.84
AAM Global Equity	57.61	61.25	-0.52	0.74
CAM Brit Gwth Inc	92.30	99.15	-0.78	0.90
CAM Intl Recvy Inc	...	...		
Temple Equity Inc	46.92	51.07	-0.37	2.81
Hartley Growth	78.07	83.05	..	0.56
Ind Growth Inc	85.23	91.15	-0.04	1.46
IPS Portfolio Inc	89.96	96.21	-0.15	0.22
St Jms Mn Inc Inc	47.19	48.64	-0.21	2.00
Premier Perfma Inc	68.98	73.78	-0.11	0.92
Roxburgh Strat Gth	75.15	80.37	-0.04	0.34
Tech Analysis	104.30	111.00	-0.30	0.30
Rosebery Growth	50.82	55.59	-0.64	..
International Strat	80.15	85.72	-0.13	..
UPC Ind-Act Grth	56.27	60.42	-0.11	...
Coverdale Topout	53.57	57.68	-0.02	...
Prem Equity Inc	108.70	114.40	...	...
Lowes Intl Growth	47.22	49.70	-0.33	1.17
PROVIDENT MUTUAL UT MGRS LTD				
25-31 Moorgate, London EC2R 6BA				
071 588 3963				
Equity Gth	176.60	187.90	-1.50	1.54
European Gth	100.50	106.40	-0.70	0.15
Income & Gth	136.90	145.60	-1.60	2.76
Japan Gth	134.40	142.30	-1.50	...
Nth Amer Gth	117.20	124.70	-3.90	0.16
Overseas Gth	92.94	98.83	-1.83	...
PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
51-59 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL				
081 478 3377 Client Enq: 071 911 4490 Intermed dlg: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925 091				
Managed Tst	37.81	40.43	-0.41	1.32
Cash Haven Inc	100.97	101.46	+0.03	3.57
Cash Haven Acc	109.69	110.23	+0.03	3.57
Dist Trust Inc	96.46	103.16	-0.62	4.46
Dist Trust Acc	97.87	104.24	-0.63	4.46
Global Growth	91.16	97.49	-1.02	1.13
Equity Inc	84.74	90.63	-0.57	3.45
Equity	737.71	788.99	-4.46	2.10
European	215.17	230.12	-1.21	0.60
High Income	90.28	96.55	-0.69	4.68
Intl Grth	187.28	200.29	-3.40	0.83
Intl Sm Co	80.98	86.57	-1.08	0.31
Japanese	242.22	259.05	-2.49	...
Nth Amer	166.09	177.33	-4.83	1.71
Pacific Mkts	111.86	119.63	-3.75	0.71
Premier Inc	46.58	49.48	-0.35	4.82
Sm Cos	89.94	96.19	-0.07	1.45
Spec Sits	111.31	119.04	-0.70	2.03
UK Growth	122.83	131.36	-0.71	2.13
RELIANCE UNIT MGRS LTD				
Reliance House, Tunbridge Wells, Kent				
0892 510 033				
British Life	314.60	333.70	-4.00	3.08
ROCK ASSET MGMT (UNIT TRUST) LTD				
Bulman House, Regent Centre, Gosforth, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 3NG 091 285 2855				
Managed	98.40	104.40	...	2.00
ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT				
St Swithin's Lane, London EC4				
Dealers: 071 280 5000				
FA America (Inc)	524.25	558.11	+16.50	0.36
FA America (Acc)	612.90	652.49	+19.29	0.36
FA UK Equity Inc	162.38	173.16	-2.38	3.24
FA Japan	296.85	316.21	-5.43	...
FA Major UK Cos	97.42	103.82	-1.25	2.12
FA Smllr UK Cos	299.10	325.30	-0.99	1.11
FA European	318.87	338.25	-2.65	0.39
FA Amer Smllr Cos	44.66	47.74	-1.14	..
FA Asia	52.87	56.95	-2.31	..
FA Jap Smllr Cos	61.01	64.95	-0.52	.
RAM Personal Pension				
UK Major Cos	97.35	102.47	-1.34	...
UK Smllr Cos	85.28	89.76	-0.27	...
UK Income	95.41	100.42	-1.38	...
America	105.10	110.62	-3.27	...
Japanese	65.21	68.64	-1.18	..
European	101.74	107.09	-0.85	
Gilt	83.65	88.04	-0.61	...
Deposit	81.50	85.79	-0.06	...
Managed	100.31	105.58	-1.24	...
RAM FSAVC Scheme				
UK Major Cos	94.88	99.87	-1.30	..
UK Smaller Cos	83.41	87.79	-0.26	..
UK Income	93.16	98.06	-1.35	...
America	102.41	107.79	-3.19	...
Japanese	63.57	66.91	-1.15	...
European	99.20	104.41	-0.82	...
Gilt	82.56	86.90	-0.58	...
Deposit	77.70	81.79	-0.05	...
Managed	95.46	100.47	-1.03	..
ROYAL LIFE FD MGMT LTD				
PO Box 34, Peterborough PE2 0UE				
Prices: 0733 282 828 Gen Enq: 0733 390 000				
Dealing: 0733 393 000				
United States	76.12	81.29	-1.96	0.11
Pacific Basin	89.91	98.74	-1.95	...
High Inc Dist	132.30	141.40	-1.70	4.71
Ryl Life Int Cmty	58.75	62.47	-0.64	3.80
Ryl Life Intl Gwth	71.29	76.12	-1.44	0.03
Ryl Life Intl Spec	67.46	71.76	-1.24	...
UK Emerging Cos	127.70	138.00	-0.10	1.11
UK Index Trckg	165.70	176.60	-0.90	3.07
European	131.70	141.70	-0.80	0.27
Managed	150.50	161.80	-1.80	0.79
ROYAL LONDON UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
Royal Ldn Hse, Colchester CO1 1RA				
0206 764 400				
American Growth	146.70	155.30	-4.30	0.33
European Growth	115.00	121.60	-1.20	0.64
Far East Growth	141.00	150.10	-2.50	0.25
Japan Growth	154.90	164.70	-2.20	...
Special Sits	197.20	209.70	-0.70	1.27
UK Growth	78.36	83.36	-0.68	2.18
Triton General	249.10	265.00	-4.20	0.60
ST JAMES'S PLACE UT GROUP LTD				
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NS				
041 307 6500				
Far East Inc	187.70	196.60	-2.70	0.25
Gtr Euro Prog Inc	353.30	373.90	-2.70	0.39
Growth Inc	137.50	145.50	-1.50	0.36
International Inc	352.90	373.40	-4.80	0.14
Nth Am & Intl Inc	325.60	344.60	-8.40	0.37
UK Gen Prog Inc	224.20	237.20	-1.70	1.18
UK High Inc Inc	138.30	146.20	-0.70	3.75
SANWA INTL INVEST SERVICES LTD				
City Place Hse, 55 Basinghall St EC2V 5DJ				
071 330 0572				
American Gwth	67.43	71.73	-1.34	...
Amer Smllr Cos	83.29	88.61	-1.20	...
Asian Gwth	121.30	129.04	-3.95	0.75
European Gwth	70.92	75.44	-0.20	1.00
Global Bd	58.32	61.65	-0.22	5.00
Global Eq	69.76	74.21	+1.07	0.50
Japanese Eq	62.91	66.92	-0.63	
Japan Sm Cos	74.29	79.02	-0.75	...
UK Gen	55.50	59.04	-0.39	2.80
UK Gwth	59.50	63.30	-0.27	1.75
SAVE & PROSPER GROUP				
16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB				
0708 766 966				
Amer Inc & Gwth	68.63	73.01	-1.75	4.03
Amer Smllr Cos	108.90	115.90	-2.30	...
Asian Smaller Cos	53.02	56.40	-1.24	...
Capital Portfolio	133.80	142.30	-2.0	2.15
Capital	170.00	180.90	-2.20	0.60
Cash	124.10	124.10	+0.10	4.36
China Dragon	67.31	71.61	-2.46	0.35
Commodity	140.30	149.30	-4.40	0.49
Eastern Discovery	113.50	120.70	-1.60	..
Energy Inds	132.80	141.30	-2.70	0.35
European Gwth	194.20	206.60	-0.90	0.03
Euro Inc & Gwth	78.10	83.09	-0.22	1.95
Euro Smllr Cos	54.08	57.53	-0.44	
Financial Secs	203.30	216.30	-3.40	0.56
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	48.55	51.34	+0.11	8.84
Gold & Exploration	89.40	95.11	-3.24	..
High Return	233.10	248.00	-2.90	4.10
High Yield	236.40	251.50	-2.80	3.72
Income	121.60	129.40	-1.20	4.25
Intl Bond	161.90	171.10	-1.20	5.59
ITU	214.20	232.10	-1.50	0.71
Japan Growth	200.30	213.10	-3.0	..
Japan Smaller	234.90	249.90	-6.50	..
Korea	76.40	81.28	-0.29	..
Masterfund	58.65	62.39	-0.77	0.28
Scotbits	306.00	325.50	-5.20	0.73
Scotshares	297.50	316.50	-4.20	2.29
Scotyields	249.40	265.30	-4.10	3.38
Select Intl	152.60	162.30	-2.90	0.42
Smaller Cos Inc	261.50	278.20	-0.20	3.33
SE Asia	619.80	658.30	-15.20	..
Special Situation	127.30	135.60	-1.70	1.43
UK Equity	249.90	265.90	-3.30	2.73
UK Growth	65.26	69.43	-0.91	1.51
UK Smllr Cos Gwth	48.58	51.68	-0.05	0.68
US Growth	147.00	156.40	-3.80	0.40
Univ Growth	150.30	159.90	-2.80	0.67
SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD				
Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St EC4V 4EJ Client: 0800 526 535 Broker: 0800 526 540 General Enquiries: 071 382 3800				
Retail Funds				
American	251.04	267.10	-3.63	0.75
European Growth	76.19	81.10	-0.41	0.85
Euro Smllr Cos	77.88	82.07	-0.29	0.19
Far Eastern Gth	107.43	114.59	-2.95	..
Gilt & Fixed Int	49.88	52.59	+0.06	7.32
Global Bond	49.19	50.84	-0.03	6.31
Global Emer Mkts	62.02	66.19	-0.96	...
Income	356.40	380.15	-1.04	3.59
Japan Smllr Cos	569.00	606.90	-7.81	..
Japan Enterprise	79.59	84.89	-1.58	..
Pacific Gwth	145.74	155.50	-2.75	0.03
Seoul	52.77	56.12	-0.17	..
Smaller Cos	214.17	228.44	-0.21	0.74
Tokyo	136.97	145.03	-1.97	..
UK Enterprise	254.50	271.56	-1.15	2.16
UK Equity	244.65	260.90	-1.12	2.30
US Smllr Cos	150.99	162.45	-2.20	...
World Fd	82.35	87.83	-0.85	1.67
Institutional Funds				
European	238.75	248.59	-3.15	1.21
Euro Smllr Cos	30.59	31.86	..	1.60
Global Equity Inc	81.36	84.74	-1.59	0.65
Japan Smllr Cos	44.62	46.47	-0.76	...
Mngd Balanced	191.45	199.42	-1.69	2.80
Overseas Equity	198.98	207.27	-4.09	0.72
Oseas Smllr Cos	133.89	139.46	-2.14	0.30
Pacific	270.56	281.83	-7.76	0.97
Recovery	£19.26	£20.06	-6.27	2.60
UK Index	158.63	165.23	-1.62	3.06
UK Small Cos	117.79	122.69	-0.21	2.44
US Smllr Cos	45.03	46.90	-0.66	0.32

	Bid	Offer	+/-	Yld %
SCOTTISH AMICABLE UT MGRS LTD				
150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ				
041 204 2200				
Equity Income	54.47	57.75	-0.35	3.29
Equity Trust	63.56	66.03	-0.75	2.30
Equity Strategy	70.57	75.16	-0.66	1.45
European Opps	60.29	66.16	-0.97	0.70
UK Smaller Cos	64.02	68.18	-0.10	0.93
Maximum Inc	98.05	100.57	-0.04	5.41
Japanese	87.08	94.67	-0.83	
Asia Pacific	137.15	146.07	-4.03	0.41
American	101.13	107.70	-2.12	0.48
SCOTTISH EQUITABLE FD MGRS LTD				
28 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 0800 454 422				
Cash	30.41	30.41	+0.01	4.59
UK General Inc	52.70	56.31	-0.80	2.77
Intl Income	296.50	315.60	-5.10	1.01
European	91.36	96.21	-0.59	1.47
Japan	76.40	80.86	-1.20	0.04
American	67.22	71.35	-2.09	2.02
Far East	97.18	103.60	-2.28	0.76
Ethical Inc	31.25	33.43	-0.24	2.12
UK Blue Chip Inc	33.94	36.29	-0.36	2.75
High Inc Inc	37.53	40.07	-0.36	3.54
UK Global Inc	42.11	44.98	-0.50	1.47
Wwide Tact	78.23	83.07	-1.50	0.71
Europe 2000 Tact	54.72	58.11	-0.51	1.25
Technology	104.55	111.54	-1.85	0.95
SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS				
19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 2211				
UK Equity	388.60	415.30	-2.90	2.74
American	265.60	282.10	-7.00	0.36
Pacific	428.70	458.50	-11.10	0.52
European	554.80	593.40	-4.10	1.11
Worldwide	93.30	99.79	-1.04	0.55
SCOTTISH MUTUAL INV MGRS LTD				
109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN				
041 248 6100				
UK Equity Inc	275.00	295.80	-3.70	2.12
UK Str Co Eq Inc	199.80	212.60	-0.70	1.55
Select Oppnty Inc	68.40	73.16	-0.65	2.15
Income Plus Inc	75.71	80.55	-1.30	3.52
European Inc	356.10	378.90	-3.20	1.06
Far Eastern Inc	191.70	204.00	-6.80	0.70
Japanese Inc	70.08	74.56	-0.99	..
Nth American Inc	248.70	264.60	-7.50	0.57
Intl Growth Inc	212.80	226.40	-5.00	0.72
Wwide Venture Inc	83.13	88.44	-2.10	0.69
SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND MGMT				
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU				
031 655 3724				
Equity Inc	378.00	405.10	-5.20	2.63
UK High Inc	193.40	206.20	-1.60	3.49
Europe Inc	363.50	387.70	-4.90	0.40
Nth Amer Inc	217.60	232.10	-4.60	0.26
Global Inc	217.80	232.30	-2.90	0.36
UK Spec Sits Inc	103.30	110.10	-0.60	2.90
South East Asia	251.50	268.30	-4.00	0.37
Cash Trust Inc	100.80	100.90		4.39
UK Smllr Cos Inc	106.50	113.60	..	1.89
Intl Bond Inc	88.72	94.19	-2.50	6.24
SEMPER EADEM FUND MGMT LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex				
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
Sector Recovery	149.50	157.09	-2.10	4.25
SHARP (ALBERT E) & CO				
5 Rayleigh Rd Hutton, Brentwood Essex				
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 261 010				
European	126.60	133.30	-1.20	0.89
Nth American	102.70	108.10	-2.90	0.43
Intl Bond & Conv	124.70	131.30	-0.60	4.72
Pooled Pension (E)	189.30	203.30		2.05
Smaller Cos	72.54	76.36	-0.10	1.34
UK General	132.70	139.70	-1.60	1.93
For Sheppards see Mayflower				
SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD				
21 New St, London EC2M 2HR 071 626 6226				
Amer Gth Fund‡	97.83	...	-3.12	..
Aztec	120.40	...	-0.90	...
European‡	126.70	...	-0.20	.
Global Bond‡	95.72	...	-0.39	7.48
Samurai‡	100.70	.	-1.10	...
UK Growth‡	109.20	.	-0.60	
Tai Pan‡	110.40	.	-1.60	.
SMITH & WILLIAMSON UT MGRS				
1 Riding House St, London W1A 3AS				
071 637 5377				
American	280.80	297.10	-0.50	0.36
Canadian	74.79	79.14	-0.18	0.25
Capital	131.30	141.00	-1.20	1.06
Cash	101.50	101.50	+0.01	4.62
European	137.40	145.30	-0.40	0.54
Far Eastern	180.60	191.00	-0.10	...
Growth	142.30	150.40	-1.30	0.93
Income	138.00	146.00	-1.30	4.42
Magnum	140.50	150.90	-1.35	1.09
Smllr Secs	383.40	405.60	-1.00	0.83
Thoroughbred	163.70	175.80	-1.30	0.99
SOVEREIGN UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
12 Christchurch Rd, Bournemouth				
0202 298 422				
Cash	50.07	50.57	+0.02	4.00
Cntrfd Prfmnce	56.27	60.02	-0.15	7.90
Ethical	56.09	59.67	-0.27	2.90
European Growth	75.09	80.10	-0.31	2.30
Income	56.52	60.28	-0.37	5.70
Ind Growth	102.80	109.60	+1.40	2.50
Managed	84.61	90.25	-0.80	3.30
UK Growth	62.63	66.80	+0.41	3.20
STANDARD LIFE TST MGMT LTD				
PO Box 141 1 Tanfield Edinburgh EH3 5RG				
0800 393 777				
Standard Life Fund Mngmt Ltd				
Global Advtg Inc	39.81	42.20	-0.30	1.58
Global Advtg Acc	42.50	45.05	-0.30	1.58
Income Advtg Inc	31.97	33.89	-0.10	3.59
Income Advtg Acc	34.59	36.67	-0.10	3.59
UK Equity Gth Acc	67.70	71.77	-0.20	1.43
Standard Life Tst Mngmt Ltd				
Managed Acc	52.04	55.30	-0.40	1.45
UK Eq Hi Inc Inc	38.30	40.70	-0.10	3.49
UK Eq Hi Inc Acc	46.45	49.36	-0.10	3.49
UK Equity Gen Acc	63.38	67.35	-0.20	2.13
UK Equity Gen Inc	47.45	50.42	-0.20	2.13
UK Lrgr Co Acc	438.60	475.90	-1.40	3.36
UK Lrgr Co Inc	330.30	358.40	-1.10	3.36
Gilt & Fxd Int Inc	30.03	31.76	-0.10	6.19
Overs Lrg Co Acc	324.20	351.80	-5.10	1.48
Nth American Acc	44.99	47.81	-0.90	0.84
Far East Acc	73.62	78.23	-0.70	0.01
European Acc	53.76	57.13	-0.80	0.78
STATE STREET UT MGMT LTD				
28 King Street, London SW1 6QW 071 344 7080				
Global A (NZ$)	3.856	4.096	..	0.48
US Eqts (US$)	2.436	2.586		0.54
Far East Eqts (yen)	266.10	282.70	...	...
Japan Eqties (yen)	259.60	275.70	...	...
FT Europe	126.30	134.10	..	1.48
FT N Amer (US$)	1.779	1.887	..	0.76
FT Japan (yen)	244.40	259.60	...	...
FT Asia ExJap (US$)	2.583	2.744	...	0.66
STEWART IVORY UNIT TST MGRS LTD				
45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271				
American	373.30	394.60	-13.10	0.06
British	£10.46	£11.07	-3.90	3.34
Emrgng Mkts	177.80	189.40	-1.70	.
European	552.30	588.20	-4.30	0.90
Japan	173.40	184.10	-1.60	...
New Pacific	419.40	447.70	-8.10	0.65
Investment Tst	242.00	256.50	-1.50	1.28
Mngd Equity	178.50	188.90	-1.00	1.34
Mngd Cash	96.08	96.08	+0.04	4.30
SUN ALLIANCE UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex				
Enquiries: 0277 227 300 Dealing: 0277 690 389				
Equity	838.00	896.30	-5.00	2.85
North America	126.70	135.50	-3.40	0.91
Far East	165.60	177.10	-3.60	..
Wwide Bond	56.95	60.46	-0.39	5.54
European	107.40	114.90	-0.10	0.12
Equity Income	94.44	101.00	-0.60	4.07
Portfolio	88.73	94.90	-1.08	0.91
UK Leading Cos	61.07	64.97	-0.42	3.37
Broker Trusts				
Intml Equity	71.66	76.64	-0.06	...
SUN LIFE OF CANADA UT MGRS LTD				
Basing View, Basingstoke, Hants 0800 525 725				
American Growth	34.76	37.18	..	0.44
Managed Assets	128.91	137.88	..	2.86
UK Income	41.26	44.13	..	3.41
UK Growth	40.23	43.03	...	2.68
Worldwide Growth	36.75	39.31	...	0.53
SUN LIFE TRUST MGMT LTD				
101, Cannon St, London EC4N 5AD				
Admin & Enq: 071 606 4044 Dlg: 071 606 6010				
Discretionary	51.83	55.14	+0.35	0.15
Cap Protector Inc	43.94	46.99	-0.21	3.92
UK Income Inc	52.35	55.99	-0.35	3.41
Mngd Extra Inc Inc	33.20	35.51	-0.12	3.86
Mngd High Yld Inc	81.31	86.96	-0.39	4.32
Mngd Inc/Gth Inc	77.37	82.75	-0.36	3.29
Mngd Wwide Gth	38.49	41.17	-0.71	...
UK Smaller Cos	35.32	37.78	+0.07	1.58
Pacific Grth Port	51.13	54.68	-1.43	...
TSB UNIT TRUSTS				
Charlton Pl, Andover, Hants SP10 1RE				
0264 346 794				
American	209.99	223.39	-6.68	..
Brit Growth	99.19	105.52	-0.67	1.89
European	116.27	123.69	-0.84	0.10
Extra Income	202.19	215.10	-1.05	3.94
Smaller Cos	75.61	80.44	-0.20	1.28
General	293.23	311.95	-1.66	2.17
Premier Income	49.80	51.88	-0.25	6.21
Income	354.43	377.05	-1.85	3.45
Pacific	464.82	494.49	-12.98	...
International	578.43	615.35	-11.62	0.08
Nat Resources	182.43	194.07	-5.49	0.06
Slctd Opps	111.98	119.13	-0.88	1.12
Environmental Inv	66.04	70.26	-1.05	1.90
Selector	66.37	70.60	-0.36	1.98
High Income	66.60	70.85	-0.42	4.26
Intl Income	58.58	62.32	-0.19	4.83
Selector Income	62.86	66.88	-0.31	4.64
TU FUND MANAGERS LIMITED				
NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon				
081 667 1016				
British	338.70	356.50	-0.20	2.58
TEMPLETON UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
Saltire Court, 20 Castle Terrace, Edinburgh EH1 2EH 031 469 4000				
Glob Growth Inc	208.96	223.49	-3.56	1.48
Glob Balncd Inc	177.66	190.01	-2.40	2.77
Value Tst Inc	125.79	134.54	-1.37	1.33
THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD				
33 Queen Street, London EC4R 1AX				
071 246 3000 Dealing: 071 246 3081				
Amer Smllr Cos	64.33	68.61	-1.80	...
Dresdner Eur Bd	39.01	41.00	-0.08	6.30
European Growth	282.25	299.60	-1.68	0.90
Exempt	539.51	564.68	-3.66	3.40
Global Em Mkts	116.22	123.96	-2.10	0.60
Iberian Growth	47.31	50.46	-0.64	..
Japan Tst	93.46	99.50	-0.90	...
Little Dragons	100.16	106.83	-2.92	...
Nth Amer Gwth	228.57	243.37	-6.01	0.70
Oriental Income	51.27	54.68	-1.24	4.50
Preference	118.71	126.96	-0.19	8.60
Tiger	307.42	327.91	-9.40	...
UK Blue Chip	63.92	68.24	-0.41	2.90
UK Growth	523.39	559.77	-2.50	2.10
UK High Yield	108.86	116.42	-0.76	3.30
UK Mid-Cap	268.75	287.43	-1.30	1.90
UK Smllr Cos	103.91	111.13	-0.19	1.10
UK Smlr Cos Div	99.70	106.63	-0.34	4.60
WAVERLEY UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 225 1551				
Australasian Gold	31.99	34.02	-1.14	...
Pacific Basin	43.53	46.30	-0.90	...
Can Balncd Gwth	28.02	29.80	-0.86	...
Global Bond (US$)	0.87	0.91		5.78
Penny Share	32.62	34.70	-0.27	0.30
WHITTINGDALE UNIT TST MGMT LTD				
2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 600 8462				
Challenger	92.19	94.72	+1.02	...
Short Dtd Gilt	108.10	109.50	-0.50	...
US Govt Bd (US$)	0.73	0.74	+0.00	..
Gilt Income	49.37	51.37	+0.40	7.25
Gilt Growth	68.34	71.13	+0.93	...
Cty Reserve	52.84	52.85	...	4.50
WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MGRS LTD				
2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG				
081 298 4000				
Stockmarket Fd	80.40	85.62	-0.20	1.80

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

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Early gains reversed

TRADING PERIOD: Settlement takes place ten business days after the day of trade. Changes are calculated on the previous day's close, but adjustments are made when a stock is ex-dividend. Changes, yields and price/earnings ratios are based on middle prices.

BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
523	381	Abbey Nat	397†	-1	...	4.9	13.3
314	234	Allied Irish	256†	+6	...	4.9	9.8
27½	17½	Ans New Z	193	+5	...	5.0	28.4
3300	2637½	Bankamerica	3187½	+75	...	...	...
319	248	Bk of Ireland	273	+4	...	4.7	...
287	172½	Bank Scotland	200	-1	...	3.2	16.4
840	482	Barclays	586†	-1	...	3.6	18.1
37	13	Carlisle	28½	-½	...	1.1	...
630½	449	Cater Allen	538	+3	...	6.5	∞
180	130	Cantes	153	...	...	4.1	15.2
2620½	1543½	Chase Manh	2395½	+12½	...	...	...
2912½	2262½	Citicorp	2812½	+68½	...	...	...
285½	209	Close Bros	243	...	...	3.3	13.2
£150½	£121½	Commerzbk	£140½	+67½	...	5.9	...
£344½	£270	Deutsche Bk	£303½	+61½	...	2.2	...
90	60	First Nat Fin	69	...	...	2.7	...
1549½	1152½	Fuji Bank Y	1459½	-12	...	0.4	∞
515	395	Gerrard Nat	484	+1	22.0	5.7	14.0
1113	660	HSBC	730	+5	...	4.2	10.5
1133	680	HSBC HK	748	+4	...	4.1	10.7
473	256	Hambros	286	...	...	6.3	12.1
443	400	Joseph (L)	425†	+20	...	5.1	12.4
170	131	King Shaxson	132	+1	...	8.5	13.0
693	424	Kleinwort Ben	536†	+6	...	4.5	9.4
660	519	Lloyds	557†	-2	...	5.3	11.0
118	95	Lon Scot Bk	113	...	...	3.9	17.2
620½	489½	Nat Aust Bk	531	+21	...	5.4	10.9
622	421	Nat West	492†	-4	...	4.9	9.2
573	415	Provident	523	+10	...	3.8	16.6
79	53	Rea Bros	64†	...	...	1.9	16.5
528	377½	Ryl Bk Scot	416	+10	...	3.6	18.8
1460	1050	Schroders	1460	+5	...	1.4	13.4
359½	223	Stand Chart	253†	-2	...	3.1	8.7
291	197	TSB	216½	-1½	...	4.7	10.8
199	108	Union	128†	+6	...	4.8	10.9
1012	676	Warburg SG	780	-1	...	3.5	9.5
1105	862½	Wells Fargo	£103½	81½	...	2.6	...
260	194	Westpac	217	+5	...	2.5	∞
390	288	Wintrust	286†	...	...	4.4	19.2

BREWERIES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
683	540	Allied-Lyons	626	-6	...	4.4	15.3
619	485	Bass	587	-1	...	4.5	15.3
298	250	Boddington	288	...	...	3.5	16.1
499	388	Bulmer (HP)	425†	+1	...	3.1	23.3
196	168	Burtonwood Brw	193	...	...	3.2	16.1
181	142	Eldridge P 'A'	160	...	...	2.9	22.2
66	46½	Fosters Brewing	56	+2	...	5.2	64.2
493	416	Fullr Sm 'A'	420	...	...	2.3	17.4
506	375	Grand Met	443†	-2	...	3.8	19.2
511	399	Greenalls Grp	458	+1	...	3.5	17.5
584	452	Greene King	519	...	...	3.1	14.4
542	428	Guinness	486	-7	...	3.2	16.0
265	239	Hardy Hansn	264	-1	...	4.2	13.5
170	135	Headlines	170	+5	...	3.0	15.3
457	383	Highland Distl	423	+1	...	2.0	20.1
3658	3125	Holt J	3658	+38	...	1.6	20.8
203	127	Macallan-Glen	203	...	...	0.7	56.1
638	365	Marstn Marts 'A'	638	+10	...	1.9	26.2
246	195	Mansfield	243	+1	...	2.3	∞
302	256	Minson Tamp	300	+3	...	2.5	15.5
631	544	Matthew Clark	631†	...	...	3.6	14.0
250	113	Mrydwn W	123†	...	...	2.5	...
545	463	Morland	508	...	...	2.5	17.0
10½	8½	Paramount	8½	...	...	2.2	15.7
287	209	Regent Inns	246	...	...	2.0	25.0
1521½	1000	SA Breweries	1243½	+3½	...	2.2	20.3
591	493	Scot & New	532†	+1	...	4.0	15.8
190	142	Tamnon Cider	177†	...	...	4.7	13.5
306	229	Vaux Group	258	-1	...	4.7	16.6
419½	324½	Wetherspoon JD	392	+1	...	1.8	25.9
617	494	Whitbread	577	...	...	4.1	16.8
589	480	Wolvrhmptn D	563	...	...	2.9	15.8
180	148	Yates Bros	171	...	...	2.2	21.1
535	483	Young 'A'	508	...	...	3.7	19.3

BUILDING, ROADS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
205	135	Abbey	160†	...	...	1.6	∞
22	12	Albrighton	17†	...	...	3.7	16.3
200	148	Allen	160	+1	...	4.1	19.0
164	79	Amec	115	+1	...	3.3	55.3
454	333	Ashtead	412†	...	...	1.7	∞
165	109	Atwoods	114	...	...	5.5	...
363	274	BPB Ind	328	-1	...	3.1	22.2
142	43	Baggeridge Brk	133	...	...	2.9	26.1
41	36	Bailey (Ben) Con	34	...	...	2.6	20.6
88	38½	Barcom	25	...	...	8.8	3.0
60	38½	Bardon	45	...	...	5.6	...
292	180	Barratt Devs	198	+7	...	3.2	21.3
169	138	Beazer Homes	148	+3	...	4.2	13.0
304	198	Bellway	209	-2	...	3.7	19.6
59	12	Bellwinch	44	...	...	...	...
244	15	Berisford Intl	192	+1	...	...	...
573	381	Berkeley Gp	415†	...	...	2.1	17.3
215	118	Bett Bros	175	...	...	2.0	8.7
93	40	Blockleys	71	...	...	1.8	...
391	282	Blue Circle	310	+½	...	4.5	20.3
355	277	Bolt (Henry)	278	...	...	2.9	14.1
84	5	Brandon Hire	79	-1	...	2.4	∞
117	77	Breedon PLC	94	...	...	6.1	26.9
154	110	Br Dredging	147	-½	...	4.8	18.8
98	78	Brit Fittings	87	...	2.0	2.9	∞
197½	110	Bryant	147	+1	...	4.1	22.4
145½	111½	CALA	124	+1	...	2.6	...
409	321	CRH	375	-9	...	2.6	19.0
70	11	Cakebread Rby	43	...	...	...	...
42	14	Costain	28½	...	...	...	...
185	113	Countryside	146†	...	...	3.9	32.4
120	8	Crest Nicholson	88†	...	...	2.3	16.3
140	110	Cussins	127	...	...	3.1	14.6
30	19	Edmond Hldgs	24	...	...	1.6	...
350	283	Epwin	333	+4	...	3.0	18.6
82	77	Erith	72	...	...	1.7	40.5
473	388	Eve Group	328†	...	...	4.2	∞
60	36	Galliford	36	...	...	3.5	...
112	87	Gibbs & Dandy	101	...	...	3.4	...
1028	858	Gleeson (MJ)	858	-7	...	1.9	15.6
218	182	Graham Grp	188	-1	...	3.1	17.2
169	130	Hewden-Stuart	161	...	...	2.3	23.8
82	46	Hewetson	72†	...	...	2.2	...
473	34	Heywd Wms	362	...	...	4.5	34.2
144	93	Higgs & Hill	93	...	...	3.4	...
41	27	How Gp	30	...	...	2.5	...
32	20	Howard Hldgs	26†	...	...	3.8	∞
100	67	Ibstock	79	...	...	1.6	...
25	6	Jarvis	9½	...	...	...	...
138	104	Keller	129	-3	...	3.8	14.5
428	281	Laing (J)	300	...	...	3.8	21.4
164	186	-do- 6.4% Cv Pf	116	...	...	6.5	...
145	115	Ln Clydeside	127	...	...	4.7	17.6
173	78	Lovell (YJ)	78	...	...	...	...
405	332	Manders	354	...	...	3.5	18.2
213½	158½	Marley	153	...	...	3.5	17.9
155	126	Marshalls	138†	-1	...	3.8	16.9
253	194	Maunders (J)	245	...	...	2.7	23.6
321	194	McAlpine (A)	211	+3	...	3.9	30.9
76½	50½	McCarthy & S	63	...	...	1.0	...
569	384	Meyer Intl	430†	...	...	3.1	18.1
185½	94	Mowlem (J)	99	...	...	2.5	...
202½	96	NSM	108	...	...	...	12.4
196	148	Newman Tnks	175	...	...	4.4	25.5
379½	229	Persimmon	252	+5	...	4.5	22.6
20	9	Phoenix Timber	13	...	...	...	...
1800	1450	Pochins	1550	...	30.0	2.4	22.0
198	131	Prowting	131	...	...	3.2	40.3
1099	805	RMC Gp	972	+3	...	2.7	22.5
116	68	Rdne Ind	76	...	...	3.3	16.5
40	23	Raine	25	...	...	...	...
640	466	Redland	548	+3	...	5.7	28.7
108	70	Roebel	100	...	4.3	5.4	...
185½	125	Rugby Group	144	-2	...	2.9	19.4
61	53	Secure Retire	55	...	...	...	...
65	50	[illegible]	65	+1	0.5	1.0	∞
195	153	Sharpe & Fisher	180	-1	...	2.8	20.7
288	222	Sheffield Insl	272	-1	...	2.2	21.8
360	233	Sheriff Hldgs	360	+5	...	1.5	24.0
158	94	Shorco	158	...	...	4.4	28.1
245½	195	Smart (J)	220	...	...	4.8	19.0
5	1½	Sturmin	1½	...	...	...	...
206	135	Tarmac	157	+1	...	4.4	...
257	154	Tay Homes	177	...	...	4.2	19.0
183	121	Taylor Woodrw	143	...	...	1.3	34.9
760	588	Tilbury Dougls	598	-2	...	7.0	61.8
60	36	Torex Hire	57†	...	...	2.0	29.7
370	274	Travis Perkins	321	+5	...	3.1	26.0
29½	16	Trencherwood	17	...	...	...	...
40½	23	Try Group	28	...	...	2.2	...
28	21	Tudor	25	...	...	1.2	...
113	98	Vibroplant	106†	-½	...	4.2	∞
170	127½	Wainhomes	142	...	...	3.7	15.3
74	50	Ward Hldgs	65†	-1	...	1.0	...
63	33	Waterhouse	56	...	...	...	...
545	480	Watts Blake	530	...	...	2.8	22.8
225½	154	Westbury	162	...	...	4.1	18.1
7	3½	Wiggins	5½	...	...	...	...
571	397	Wilson Bowdn	402	+2	...	3.9	15.1
259	185	Wilson (C)	217	+8	...	2.4	21.2
349	151	Wimpey G	164	...	...	4.0	24.5
30	16	YRM	28	...	...	...	...

BUSINESS SERVICES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
740	593	ADT	703	+5	...	...	...
473	353	Adam & Harvey	473†	...	...	3.9	6.5
83	58	Air London	63	...	...	6.9	13.8
62	44	African Lakes	55	...	...	1.1	...
140	92	Auto Sec	104	+1	...	...	13.5
162	101½	BET Ord	114	...	...	3.6	19.0
195	135	BNB Res	175	...	...	3.5	20.4
255	175	BPP	230	+2	...	4.9	16.2
186	151	BSM	152	...	...	4.8	12.0
335	98	Barbour Index	198†	...	...	5.4	∞
1½	1	Black & Edge	1½	...	...	...	...
226	141	Brit Data Mgt	163	...	4.9	3.8	11.9
31	22	Broadcastle	26	+2	...	4.8	12.4
79	58	Brooks Service	73	...	...	2.6	...
117½	87	CRT Gp	88†	...	...	4.8	...
238	158	Capita Group	174†	+6	...	2.0	22.2
50	30	Caslet Plc	35½	...	...	3.9	12.1
26½	7	Chiltern Capital	20½	...	...	...	...
85	56	Christie	61	...	...	...	...
423	292	Chubb Sec	331	...	...	2.4	20.3
62	41	Corp Services	62	...	...	0.5	23.3
97	81	Cnsuny Cralg	89	...	...	...	...
170	140	Dart	154†	...	...	3.0	16.5
276	212	Davis Service	237	+1	...	4.2	16.7
154	110	EW Facs	138	+3	...	4.3	10.4
34	18½	Gardiner	19½	...	...	4.8	9.3
334	261	Hays	292	...	...	2.4	22.6
289	220	Hogg Robinsn	259	...	...	3.4	18.1
39	18	Holmes Protectn	27	...	...	...	1.6
365½	240	Hunt Whamp	318½	+16	...	1.8	22.2
2696½	1818½	ISS B DKr	1818½	-48½	...	5.7	20
609	438	Inchcape	477	-3	...	3.9	15.2
165	135	JBA Hldgs	155	-1	...	1.9	15.8
414	274	Johnson Clean	274†	...	...	4.9	11.1
8	4	Lep	6½	...	...	...	...
375	283	Mite Gp	365†	...	...	1.5	21.4
1681½	1156½	Manpower	1681½	+9½	...	0.8	...
89½	65	Michael Page	99½	+½	...	2.9	21.0
140	80	Parity	140	+3	...	2.0	36.4
115	85	Pennine	85	...	...	5.9	...
89½	60½	Proudfoot	68	+1	...	6.4	16.8
415	308	RCO	308†	-2	...	6.2	10.7
123	97	REA	130†	...	...	6.2	45.8
163	104	Reed Executive	163†	+1	1.0	0.8	...
140	105	Reliance Secs	140†	+7	...	4.2	∞
279	190½	Rentokil	217	-3	...	1.7	22.2
195	147½	Rolfe & Nolan	195	...	...	2.6	30.3
392	293	Salvesen (C)	295	+½	...	3.4	15.4
64	43	Scott Pickford	64†	+3	...	1.8	∞
17½	9	Select Appo	13½	...	...	...	...
307	283	Serco Gp	283	...	...	1.5	25.8
130	35	Sherwd Cmpa	125	...	...	1.8	...
130	100	Stretchley	107	...	...	3.7	16.7
338	325	Warner Howrd	329	...	...	2.8	15.6
30½	20½	Wills Gp	21	...	...	2.5	14.7

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
156	115½	Allied Colloids	142†	+1	...	2.0	23.6
1141	910	Amersham	1085	+9	...	1.9	21.3
3	1½	Anglo Utd	2	+½	...	...	...
£140½	£100½	BASF DM	£139½	+61½	...	0.8	...
373	287	BTP	319	...	...	3.0	20.2
£160½	£128½	Bayer DM50	£159½	+68½	...	3.7	...
171	97	Blagden	126	...	...	1.5	58.9
131	98	Brent Chems	129	...	...	3.9	...
460	311½	Brit Biotech	410	+8	...	...	...
13	5½	Caird Gp	7½	...	...	...	30.8
199	153	Canning (W)	194	...	...	4.7	32.9
590	467	Courtaulds	503	-1	...	3.5	42.2
389	327	Croda	389	...	...	2.7	19.8
133	95	Doeflex	121	+1	...	4.8	13.7
283	225	Ellis & Everard	283†	+1	...	5.4	20.9
58	35½	Euro Colour	57	...	...	2.3	20.3
399	337	Halstead (J)	391	-2	...	2.1	18.3
223	160	Hickson	177	+2½	...	5.7	15.7
£153½	£108½	Hoechst	£152½	+50½	...	4.9	...
250	153	Holliday Chem	242†	+2	...	2.1	19.8
868	728	ICI	835†	+3	...	4.1	69.5
945	704	Laporte	799	...	...	3.2	21.7
244	100	Leigh	228†	+1	...	4.3	20.9
95	48	MTM	91†	+1	...	0.7	...
2490½	1912½	Norsk Hydro	2428½	-31½	...	1.4	∞
625	481	Paterson Zoch	496	...	...	3.2	19.1
595	416	-do- 'A'	482	...	...	3.3	12.7
250	188	Plysu	189	...	...	4.6	22.0
349	265	Porvair	330	...	...	1.6	24.0
66	57	Sutcliffe Speak	57†	...	...	1.7	21.9
490	381	Wardle Storeys	415	+9	...	5.2	21.7
758	570	Whatman R	758	...	...	3.0	18.8
483	380	Yorks Chem	487†	+3	...	2.1	19.3
536	258	Yule Catto	330	...	...	2.4	25.1
980	672	Zeneca	848	-7	...	4.2	16.8

DRAPERY, STORES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
268	203	Allders	227	...	...	3.4	16.9
410	330	Argos Plc	364	...	...	2.9	19.0
102	54½	Ashley (Laura)	67	-1	...	0.2	...
357	300	Asprey	311	...	...	2.4	15.4
232	176	Austin Reed	232	...	...	3.0	13.0
168	139	Beattie (J) 'A'	140	...	...	3.3	15.1
150	130	Benalls	139	+1	...	1.9	48.6
165	73	Betterware	75	...	...	4.3	8.1
48	38	Blacks Leis	40†	...	...	7.0	∞
264	205	Body Shop	205	-13	...	1.2	19.3
601	504	Boots	582	+3	...	3.2	22.0
12½	3	Brown & Jackson	3½	...	...	...	...
247	210	Brown (N)	247	...	...	2.0	23.7
74½	51	Burton	65½	+1½	...	3.8	...
345	180	Cantors	185	...	...	2.6	20.9
520	388	Church	485	+2	...	3.4	27.8
171	90	Clinton Cards	97½	...	...	6.0	8.4
287	200	Coats Viyella	230	-1½	...	4.2	20.9
170	145	Cty Ctnals	154	+2	...	3.5	15.7
903	740	Courts Furnish	771†	-2	...	1.0	39.2
210	155	Crown Eyes	175†	...	...	6.8	∞
137	83	Dairy Farm Intl	98½	+3½	...	3.7	13.4
141½	97½	Dewhirst (IJ)	141½	+3½	...	1.3	25.7
287	170	Dixons Grp	214†	...	...	3.9	22.7
11½	7½	EBA Gp	8½	...	...	...	...
11½	4½	Eclipse Blinds	7½	+½	...	3.2	...
580	530	Elys (Wimbldn)	580	...	17.0	3.2	∞
284	191	Essex Furn	199	+1	...	2.4	31.8
317	217	Etam	310	...	...	3.0	22.0
558	494	Fine Art Dev	509	+2	14.3	3.5	15.8
50	46	Ford Earn	48	...	...	...	...
725	680	Forminster	723†	...	...	2.8	∞
239	126	French Conn	235	...	...	...	13.3
73	48	Gent SR	68	+2	...	4.1	21.1
127	85	Goldsmiths Gp	127	...	...	1.1	22.8
653	549½	GUS	591	-7	...	2.8	17.1
196	164	Hamleys	188	...	...	3.1	18.1
31	21	Hampden Grp	23	...	...	5.4	...
30½	17½	Hartstone	18½	...	...	2.4	...
91	64	Honeysuckle	65	...	...	4.8	9.5
223	178	Hse of Fraser	222	-1	...	2.8	20.0
211	173	Jacques Vert	199†	...	...	2.8	17.6
778	477	Kingfisher	554	+7	...	3.4	13.6
88	61	Leslie Wise Gp	68†	...	...	7.4	14.3
435	350	Liberty	398	...	...	1.5	48.9
380	277	Lloyds Chem	318	+4	...	3.7	10.5
184	132	MFI	152½	-2½	...	3.3	19.4
480½	380	Marks Spencer	425	-3	...	2.7	19.8
680	554	Menzies (John)	594	...	...	2.5	14.4
343	238	Moss Bros	327	...	...	2.7	15.9
275	214	Next	269	...	...	2.6	20.0
73	39	Oliver (G)	73	...	...	...	78.5
335	255	Ottiline Ind	285†	...	...	4.6	12.9
37	21½	Pentos	21½	...	...	...	...
288	169	QS Hldgs	174	...	...	3.7	20.5
62	25	Rhino Grp	31	...	...	2.0	11.2
209	157	Rosebys	157†	-1	...	3.8	18.4
180	113	Sherwood Gp	118	...	...	3.1	11.7
132	110	Sears	119½	-2	...	3.8	20.3
46	23½	Signet Group	30	-½	...	...	15.2
549	450	Smith WH	520½	+11½	...	3.8	26.3
21	10½	Specialeyes	12	+1	...	...	...
252	205	Storehouse	221½	+½	...	3.1	19.7
198	146	T & S Stores	189	...	...	4.1	14.0
173	124	Tie Rack	142	...	...	1.5	16.9
265	215	Time Products	243	...	...	4.4	18.8
132	105	Usher (Frank)	106	+1	6.0	7.1	11.5
539	384	Vendome	539†	+5	...	1.3	41.4
44	34	Vlag	38	...	...	4.1	8.9
70	34	WEW Group	35	...	...	2.1	25.8
85	42	Wensum	85	+1	...	2.9	30.0
120	91	Wickes	100	+2	...	1.6	22.3
97	54	Wid of Leather	65	...	...	...	...
196	138	Wyevale	141	-1	...	3.9	14.9

ELECTRICALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
187	109	ACT Group	125	...	...	5.2	11.7
296	248	Acatos	296	...	...	3.1	17.3
645	478	Admiral	645†	...	...	1.3	19.8
193	165	Alba	193	...	...	3.3	15.6
46	34	Alphameric	45	...	...	...	34.3
50	26	Amstrad	31½	-½	...	2.0	...
110	73	App Holo	109	-1	...	...	...
39	24	Arlen	27	-1	...	...	...
94½	78	Astec	91½	-2	...	1.2	22.3
281	176	Atlas	178†	...	...	2.1	∞
283	239	Beales Hunter	284†	...	...	4.6	∞
478	378	BICC	414	+5	...	5.9	25.7
535	411	Blick	440†	...	...	3.0	17.7
1100	637½	Borland	875	...	...	...	...
380	305	Bowthorpe	333	+1	...	2.6	18.6
486	353½	BT	391†	+½	...	5.3	13.6
367	236½	BT P/P	271†	+½	...	5.3	13.6
20	14½	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	19½	...	...	1.6	14.0
79	55	Burnfield	73	+1	...	4.3	56.8
543	394	Cable Wireless	473†	-5	...	2.2	20.1
38½	26	Chloride	29	...	...	...	...
283	263	CML Micro	283	...	...	2.8	∞
183	105	Comput People	183	...	...	1.0	41.7
202	154	Cray Elect	191†	+1	...	1.5	∞
487	412	Crichley	460	...	...	2.2	20.6
586	475	Delta	526	-1	...	3.5	23.0
663	446	Dennons Ele	598	...	...	1.4	16.7
560	400	Domino	549	-1	...	1.9	23.6
78	62	Dowding Mills	77	...	...	4.1	25.8
1635	1230	Druck	1485†	-8	...	0.9	27.6
589	463	Electrocomponer	495†	+3	...	2.4	21.6
159½	135	El Data Prc	158	...	...	1.5	14.6
175	133	Electron House	188	...	...	2.5	∞
38½	21	Emess	37	-1½	...	0.3	...
451	343	Eurotherm	382†	...	...	1.6	22.6
212	162½	FKI	186†	+½	...	2.5	22.6
656	512	Farnell Elect	559	+2	...	1.7	22.9
344	296	First Tech	344†	+1	...	1.3	∞
283	200	Forward Gpe	214	+1	...	2.9	12.8
59	14½	Forward Tech	48	...	...	0.7	...
353½	269½	GEC	308†	-4	...	4.4	15.5
191	119	Graseby	159	-2	...	4.8	14.5
14½	10	Graystone	14	...	...	0.9	...
193	126	Ind Control	150	...	...	5.8	13.4
388	288	Jones Stroud	315†	...	...	3.6	∞
145	99	Kalamazoo	141†	...	...	2.9	∞
16	9	Kembrey	16	...	0.1	1.2	∞
396	335	Kenwood App	379	+4	...	3.0	18.2
298	282	Kewill Syst	285†	-3	...	2.4	...
165	98	Kode	149	...	...	10.2	7.0
35	19	Laser-Scan	22	...	...	...	...
105	88	LEMS	99	...	...	...	...
355	255	Lec Refrig	355	...	...	3.2	...
171	109	Life Sciences	151	-2	...	3.4	14.8
314	266	Logica	284	...	...	1.8	33.9
52	45	LPA Ind	46	...	...	4.3	...
216	133	MR Data Mngmt	133	-1	...	5.2	14.8
720	550	Macro 4	550	...	...	4.4	16.5
310	282	Memtec-Sw	245†	-1	...	2.1	∞
1320	795	Micro Focus	873	...	...	...	10.6
178	126	Microgen	135	...	...	7.0	13.0
45	31	Microvitec	40	...	...	...	...
549½	432	Misys	433†	-1	...	2.3	∞
494	185	Mitel	252	+4	...	...	...
189	143	MMT Comp	179	...	...	3.0	18.2
315	250	MTL Inst	315	+4	...	1.6	20.4
148	114	Murray Elec	133‡	+2	...	1.9	...
2749½	2300	NYNEX	2487½	+15½	...	...	...
128	78	Neotronics	78	...	...	4.2	16.9
60	51	Newmark (L)	60	...	...	...	...
415	329	Norbain	410†	...	...	0.7	∞
100	47	Northamber	99†	-1	...	1.0	∞
9½	4½	Oceonics	8	...	...	...	...
31	24	Orbis	26‡	...	0.5	2.5	∞
398	277	Oxford Inst	307†	...	...	2.0	18.1
84	60	P & P	72‡	...	...	3.9	17.9
98	74½	Peek	88	...	...	4.8	22.7
235	175	Pegasus	178	...	...	3.6	19.4
£105	9750	Philips Fn 4%	£105	...	...	5.5	...
2175	1400	-do- Enp NV	2146½	-21½	...	0.9	9.7
440	236	Phonelink	280	...	...	...	...
359	285	Pifco	358†	...	...	1.6	∞
344	283	-do- 'A' Voting	343†	+2	...	1.6	∞
130	70	Plasmec	130	...	...	2.9	...
129	100	Pressac	124	...	...	2.6	25.3
303	181	Psion	274	+8	...	1.3	30.0
258	187	Racal Elect	257	...	...	2.1	21.1
50	33	Radamec	46	...	...	4.6	13.0
42	27	Radius	39	...	...	1.3	...
166	73	Real Time	165†	...	...	3.0	∞
311	228	Risboro	258	...	...	0.9	18.9
610	507	Sage Gp	585	...	...	2.3	15.7
94	77½	Sanderson Elec	84	+1	...	4.2	...
89	19	Scantronic	20	+1	...	5.3	∞
356	162	Scholes Grp	253	...	...	0.8	∞
428	310	Sema Gp	423	...	...	0.9	25.5
320	245	Servomex	245	...	...	3.3	22.5
49	37	Silverthorne	37	...	...	1.8	22.0
94	63	Soundtracks	68†	...	...	4.4	15.4
3225	2265½	TDK	2850	+37½	...	1.1	∞
19	11	TDS Circuits	14	...	...	...	...
120	83	Telemetrix	92	...	...	1.4	11.7
295	191	Telspec	280	+2	...	1.1	35.0
1165	929	THORN EMI	1029†	-12	...	4.1	21.0
207	133	Thorpe FW	206	...	...	1.7	18.4
43	22	Total Systems	25	...	...	7.5	∞
303	215	Tunstall	247	-1	...	1.8	17.7
383	256	Unitech	357†	+1	...	2.3	27.9
16	8½	Verity	12½	+1	...	...	...
31	21½	Vistec	23	...	...	2.2	12.5
212	157½	Vodafone	204	-6	...	1.7	26.3
483	395	Volex	420†	...	...	5.4	18.4
31	20	Western Selectn	26	...	0.2	1.2	...
335	200	Wholesale Ftgs	374	...	11.7	5.5	∞

ELECTRICITY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
784	537	East Midlands	784†	+15	...	3.6	61.9
866	566	Eastern Elec	854†	-9	...	3.4	18.7
477	322	Hydro-Elect	425†	-2	...	3.7	13.4
749	534	London Elect	749	+13	...	3.8	11.4
864	635	Manweb	863†	+5	...	3.5	10.3
864	547	Midlands Elec	840†	+17	...	3.5	12.9
519	404½	National Powr	516	+4	...	3.0	12.8
864	589	Northern Elec	858†	+15	...	3.6	10.8
422	329	Nthn Ireland	397†	-2	...	3.6	10.8
850	587	Norweb	850†	+17	...	3.4	11.2
462	449	PowerGen	500	+1	...	2.6	13.2
452	337½	Scottish Power	433†	-5	...	3.6	13.7
452	359	Seeboard	452	+4	...	3.2	12.0
840	591	Sth Wales	838	+6	...	3.8	11.4
823	551	Sth Western	823†	+12	...	3.6	10.9
834	540	Southern Elec	834†	+21	...	3.4	11.0
793	532	Yorkshire Elec	792†	+15	...	3.7	15.4

FINANCE, LAND

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
57	51	Aitken Hume	51	...	...	2.5	...
165	89	BWD	109†	-1	...	4.8	8.9
118	96	Baltic Plc	116	...	...	1.6	12.9
215	163	Blenc Inv	165	...	...	...	...
757	623	Caledonia	749	+2	...	2.7	18.5
2643½	1900	Camutia	2640½	...	...	1.5	7.1
365	310	Candover	335	+3	...	4.1	...
212	196	Exco	208	+1	...	5.1	11.3
405	347	Goven	388†	...	...	4.9	6.2
250	185	Ivory Sime	230†	...	...	4.1	17.9
428	175	Johnson Fry	200	...	1.5	0.9	...
245	143	Lon Forfaitng	167	+4	...	7.0	10.4
57	44	Manakin	49	...	...	...	...
29½	8½	Nat Home Loan	19½	+½	...	...	0.4
58	53	Newmarket	58	...	...	...	...
305	267	Rathbone Bro	272	...	...	3.4	14.3
29	21½	Roland Tst	27½	...	...	4.0	11.9
387½	287½	S & U	335	...	...	3.9	10.9
114	82	Singer & Fried	85	...	...	4.4	10.9
1260	788	Sotheby	885	...	...	3.4	28.2
188	131	STP Capital	152	...	...	2.5	9.4
224	169	Towry Law	169	-2	...	3.4	14.6

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2015½	1628½	Amer Express	1837½‡	+63½	...	...	...
154	131	Brewin Dolphin	151†	...	...	4.8	11.2
229	157	Gartmore	174	+1	...	2.9	19.9
1208	865	Henderson Ad	940	+2	...	5.9	14.8
251½	152	Invesco	177	...	...	2.7	28.8
317	214½	Jardine Strat	245½	+7½	...	3.3	10.1
323	247	MAI	286	+1	...	3.0	15.5
117½	95½	MAI 5.9% Cv Pf	107½	...	...	...	...
770	538	MAM	624	...	...	4.5	14.6
1263	794	M & G	1051	+2	...	3.3	22.0
496	342	Smith New Crt	428	+9	...	2.9	3.9
65	25	Trio Hldgs	27	...	...	6.9	12.3

FOODS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	499	Ab Food	567†	-5	...	3.3	11.1
67½	50½	ASDA Group	67½	-½	...	3.3	15.5
368	265	Acatos & Hutch	297	...	...	3.6	11.9
74	44	Albert Fisher	50	+1	...	9.4	11.1
315	222½	Argyll	300½	-8½	...	4.7	13.4
270	220	Banks (S C)	260†	...	...	4.7	10.0
371	305	Barr (AG)	370	...	...	2.3	23.9
72	42	Bensons Crisps	44	-14	...	6.1	14.6
481	378	Booker	431	+5	...	6.3	15.3
56½	48	Borthwick	53½	...	...	3.0	22.9
505	424	Brake Bros	425	+1	...	2.0	15.8
43	34	Budgen	30†	...	...	4.2	∞
178	156	CPL Aromas	175	...	...	2.1	16.7
545	407	Cadbury-Schw	484	+3½	...	3.7	16.4
232	143	Carrs Milling	187	...	...	3.0	∞
167	130	Clarnwick	169	...	...	6.3	13.6
17	11½	Cullens	14½	...	...	...	...
154	90	Dalepak	117†	...	...	1.6	∞
543	389	Dalgety	478	...	...	5.4	14.0
87	50	Daniels S	54	...	...	0.7	...
294	219	Devro	255	+6	...	3.1	17.2
101	60	Everest	65	...	...	7.1	12.4
394	348	Fastpak	350†	...	...	2.4	∞
9	6	Farringford	6	...	...	...	...
85	68	Finlay (James)	76	...	...	6.8	14.2
105	87	Fyffes	101	+1	...	1.7	17.3
371	193	Geest	228	...	8.1	4.4	...
20½	14	Global	16	...	...	3.9	14.6
68	38	Grand Central	48	...	...	...	...
194	119	Hazlewood Fds	138†	-2	...	6.1	8.4
196½	151	Hillsdown	185	-2	...	5.9	14.8
28	16	Hobson	21	...	...	...	...
211	133	Iceland Group	153	-1	...	3.1	9.8
111	93	IU Group	98†	...	...	6.1	13.8
656	523	Kwik Save	633	-10	...	3.7	11.0
368	138	Low (Wm)	368	...	...	2.9	13.2
124	85	Matthews (B)	118	...	...	2.6	18.8
18	10½	Merchant Retail	13	...	...	1.9	...
147	99	Morrison (W)	146	+1	...	0.9	17.0
246	205	Nichols (JN)	239	...	...	3.1	15.2
271½	197	Nthn Foods	217†	+2	...	5.1	10.6
14	9	Nthmbrn Fne	11	...	...	...	...
232	180	Nurdin Peack	182	-2	...	4.5	10.1
146	89½	Park Foods	136†	...	...	2.2	∞
81	62	Perkins Food	79	...	...	7.0	13.3
141	109	PizzaExpress	129	...	...	0.5	27.3
5½	2½	Regina Hldgs	2½	...	...	...	...
480	342	Sainsbury J	449	-3	...	3.0	15.9
96	73	Sentry Farms	78	...	...	3.6	7.9
122	71	Sims Food	97†	+1	...	9.7	∞
487½	392	Tate & Lyle	450	...	...	3.7	11.2
254	200½	Tesco	251	-2½	...	3.9	13.0
198	162	Thorntons	185	...	...	2.6	...
238	145	Treats	212†	+2	...	2.4	17.3
434½	346	Unigate	390	-5	...	5.7	10.7
388	302	Utd Biscuits	344	-6	...	5.6	14.6
21	8	Unborne	8½	...	...	4.8	6.3
422	279	Watson & Phil	370	...	...	4.9	15.0
49	34	West Trust	38	...	...	8.8	25.0

HOTELS, CATERERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
34	26	Abrtn Stk Hs	34	...	...	...	...
94	76	City Centre Rest	78†	+1½	...	2.9	15.8
285	209½	Forte	242	-4	...	3.9	37.7
207	169	Friendly Hotels	190	...	...	3.8	32.7
169½	142½	Kays Hotel	155	...	...	4.5	∞
217½	153	Ladbroke	167	-4	...	4.5	24.6
109½	78½	Mandarin Orntl	89½	+3	...	3.7	22.6
31	18½	Ryan Hotels E	27	...	...	4.8	15.4
1135	790	Savoy Hotel 'A'	945	...	...	0.5	...
92	60½	Stakis	88†	...	...	1.7	31.7

INDUSTRIALS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
66	36	AAF Inds	44	...	...	5.3	15.1
544	413	AAH	425†	+4	...	3.9	38.9
185	119	AIM	146†	...	...	...	...
138	108	APV	121	+1	...	5.6	...
220	157	ASW	214	...	...	3.5	...
202	158	Adwest	184	...	...	5.0	19.8
21½	14	Aerospace Eng	20½	-½	...	4.6	∞
312	223	Airsprung	237	...	...	2.5	14.8
230	192	Alexndra W	215	-3	...	3.3	22.9
11½	5½	Allied Radio	6½	...	...	...	...
330	283	Alumasc	320	...	...	2.4	17.8
73	39	Alvis	56†	...	...	2.2	38.9
760	705	Amber Ind	760	...	...	3.3	15.8
65½	43½	Amberley Gp	58‡	...	...	2.2	∞
81	43	Anagen	48	...	...	...	...
95	67	Andrews Sykes	80	...	...	...	...
363	199½	Antofagasta	303	+5	...	1.6	24.5
63	48	Armour	52½	+½	...	4.0	12.2
175	168	Ash & Lacy	168	...	...	4.8	20.3
6	3½	Ass Br Eng	4½	...	...	1.5	55.6
639	474	Avon Rubber	625	+1	...	3.3	27.2
297½	249	Assoc Nurs	251	...	...	1.0	14.7
533	480	Atlas Equip	533	...	...	5.2	18.5
108	66	Ayrshire Metal	108†	+5	1.5	1.7	...
236	180	BBA	190	-1	...	4.9	...
163	115	BLP Group	159	...	...	0.8	43.6
51	24½	BM Gp	30½	+½	...	...	...
767	627	BOC	744	-6	...	3.9	31.4
86½	60½	BSG	83	...	...	3.9	42.5
578	495	BSS Group	544	...	...	4.1	22.7
401	344	BTR	391½	-4	...	3.9	20.4
176	138	BWI	151	...	...	3.5	19.1
40½	26½	Babcock	33½	...	...	...	...
11	4	Bailey (CH)	7½	...	...	...	...
270	216	Baird (Wm)	234	...	...	4.8	18.6
568½	368½	Barlow	496½	+3½	...	0.7	...
81	64	Baynes (Charles)	77	-1	...	2.7	21.0
25½	17	Bearing Power	21	...	...	4.5	13.3
95	23	Beauford	28	...	...	...	...
35	28	Bedford (W)	31	...	...	...	...
19½	12	Benson Group	13½	-½	...	3.1	∞
383	243	Bespak	303†	...	...	4.2	15.5
91	49	Bilby (J)	53	...	...	4.7	...
236	143	Billam (J)	145	...	...	4.6	9.0
38	26	Bison Bursten	38	...	...	...	...
18	3½	Bimec Ind	6½	...	...	...	...
283	243	Birkby	264†	-1	...	2.8	19.4
44	30	Black Arrow	42†	...	...	7.2	∞
287	233	Black (Peter)	287	...	3.6	1.7	22.4
241	135½	Bluebird Toys	235	...	...	2.1	9.9
329	262	Bodycote	311	...	...	2.1	22.1
40	31	Bogod 'A'	33†	...	...	2.7	∞
71	43	Booth Inds	71	+1	...	...	...
28½	17	Boustead	27†	+1	...	3.7	∞
524	409	Bowater	478	-6	...	3.3	17.9
1809½	1378½	Bowater Inc	1768½	+9½	...	...	...
297	252	Boxmore Intl	285	+1	...	1.7	18.8
20	15	Brasway	17†	...	...	3.9	∞
355	289	Brammer	334	...	...	4.6	23.0
31	18	Bridgend Gp	18	...	...	1.4	∞
171	120	Bridon	160	...	...	3.0	...
97	74	Bridport-Gndry	97	+1	...	2.9	...
57½	44½	Brierley Inv	52½	+½	...	8.3	10.0
235	190	Br Bldg & Eng	190	...	...	5.3	16.0
124	72	Br Bloodstock	72	...	...	...	64.6
515	435	Br Polythene	464	-2	...	3.1	16.3
164½	121½	Br Steel	160	-2	...	1.6	59.3
176	93	Br Thornton	93†	...	...	8.1	∞
309	233	Br Vita	275	...	...	3.4	23.1
180½	136½	Britton Grp	152‡	...	...	2.1	22.4
988	773½	Broken Hill	988	+38	...	2.0	41.9
125	86½	Bromsgrve Ind	96†	...	...	5.9	12.2
18½	9½	Brooke Tool	14½	+½	...	...	...
71	46	Brown & Tawse	51	...	...	...	...
186	135	Bullough	162†	...	...	4.7	26.6
16	8	Business Tech	8½	...	...	...	...
22	14	CI Group	14	-1	...	4.5	57.1
54	31	Campbell & Arm	36	...	...	...	...
39	26	Cannon St	31½	...	...	...	12.0
488	398	Cantab Pharms	398	...	...	...	...
278	254	Cape	262	...	...	5.2	16.6
455	278	Caradon	319	+4	...	3.4	24.0
215½	139½	-do- pf	151½	+1	7.2	6.0	...
293	251	Cardo Eng	253†	...	...	4.5	16.5
10	6	Care UK	6	...	...	...	...
2446½	1890½	Carnaud Mtl	2066½	...	...	...	...
104	80	Cassidy Bros	88	...	...	2.3	16.1
158	110	Castings	146	...	...	3.9	11.3
66	32½	Cathay Intl.	34	...	...	2.2	∞
233	191	Celltech	205	...	...	...	...
230	155	Chamberlin Hill	160	...	...	5.1	10.1
836	636½	Charter	830	-6	...	3.4	23.6
360	222	Chemring	272	-1	...	4.2	14.4
62	46	Chieftain Gp	56†	...	...	7.8	11.2
246	152	Christies Int	182	-1	...	1.4	32.2
80	60	Claybithe	66†	...	...	5.0	∞
688	403	Cohen (A)	510	...	3.4	0.8	...
297	232	Community H	256	+1	...	3.6	14.6
263	191	Concentric	191	...	...	3.9	15.8
310	240	Cook (Wm)	295†	...	...	3.2	14.2
285	227	Cookson	262	...	...	3.0	28.2
110	81	Copymore	105	...	...	4.8	14.9
167	139	Crowd Flr 'A'	139	...	...	5.1	16.6
157	109	Cosalt	137	-1	...	5.7	...
285	207	Creighton Nt	207†	-3	...	4.6	∞
44	31	CrestaCare	34	...	...	2.8	...
2062½	1800	Daeu	1862½‡	+75	...	...	...
388	305	Danka Bs Sys	339	+3	...	0.6	21.9
298	220	David Brown	251	...	...	3.2	17.7
1021	825	De La Rue	983	...	...	2.5	20.9
159	153	Denby Group	159	+2	...	2.4	15.5
52	35	Dinkle Heel	35	...	...	5.0	9.1
628	460½	Diploma	483	+2	...	3.2	19.3
97	70	Dobson Park	83	...	...	3.6	16.4
134	102	Dyson (J&J)	110†	...	5.0	5.7	20.3
97	78	-do- 'A'	88†	...	...	5.0	∞
16	13	EFG	13½	...	0.1	0.9	8.5
462	364	EIS	382	...	...	4.0	15.3
25	15	Elbief	18	...	...	...	...
53	41	Eleco	42	...	...	...	...
3750½	2300	Electrolux 'B'	3281½	+21½	...	1.6	56.8
91	69	Elliott (B)	85	...	...	1.5	13.0
447½	321	Eng China Cl	390	-2	...	5.2	22.7
146	96	Environmed	105	...	...	0.7	...
3662½	2737½	Ericsson 'B'	3506½	-12½	...	1.3	30.8
86	56	Eurocopy	65†	...	...	3.5	19.1
114	69	Expamet	113	...	...	2.8	...
392	334½	Fairey Group	387	...	...	1.9	20.5
145	109	Fenner	133	-1	...	0.4	...
110	82	Ferraris Group	88	...	...	3.0	13.0
45	39	Ferrum	39	...	...	...	...
78	50	Fife Indmar	55	+2	...	6.2	8.1
157	113	Fisons	151	...	...	3.6	...
60	37	Fitzwilton	40‡	...	...	11.3	...
298	263	Flogas	298	...	...	2.8	∞
51	38	Folkes Group nv	43	...	1.5	4.4	...
126	94	French (Thomas)	95	...	...	4.8	16.8
284	220	Frost Group	243	...	...	2.5	25.7
88	77	GEI Intl	84	...	...	2.2	23.6
660	510½	GKN	631†	...	...	4.1	36.9
79	49	GR Hldgs	55	...	...	4.1	...
134	91	Garton Eng	112	...	...	5.0	30.3
191	136	Gestetner	152‡	...	...	2.0	...
66	49	Glevum	64	...	...	2.0	39.1
725	520	Glaxo	649	-9	...	4.6	15.4
46	35½	Glenchewton	40	+3	...	...	...
404	334	Glynwed	350	-2	...	4.2	20.3
209	125	Goode Durrant	196†	-1	...	3.8	15.4
185	143	Grampian Hd	152	-1	...	4.5	58.7
598	482	Granada	503†	-2	...	2.3	19.9
720	452	Great Shrna	710†	...	...	2.3	25.5
85	71	Green (Ernst)	71	...	...	12.3	13.0
15½	11½	Greencare	11½	...	...	3.5	16.1
85	61	Haden MacLn	81	...	...	3.1	20.7
122	90	Hadleigh	119†	...	...	2.1	13.9
76	59	Halkin Hldgs	71	...	...	...	55.4
320	149	Hall Eng	178	...	...	6.7	10.2
256	204	Halma	232	...	...	1.3	27.2
72	47	Hampson Ind	72†	...	...	3.5	13.7
302	237½	Hanson	257½	-2½	...	5.8	23.1
161	122	Harris (Philip)	154	...	...	5.6	19.0
220	152	Harrisn Crsfld	187	...	...	6.1	20.9
180	121	Havelock Euro	173	...	...	1.4	20.5
48	30	Hay (Norman)	33	...	...	...	...
50	33	Headway	40	...	...	2.2	...
511	307	Hepworth	324	-3	...	5.7	16.9
205	150	Hewitt (J)	150	...	...	2.7	...
75	52	High-Point	53	...	0.5	1.2	...
184½	148	Hill & Smith	148†	...	...	4.9	16.1
191	111	Holders Tech	119†	...	...	6.3	12.9
63	39	Hopkinsons	58	...	...	2.6	...
216	176	Hornby	189	...	...	6.0	17.3
103	78	Howden	96	...	...	3.2	∞
292	234	Humlock	275	-1	...	2.7	19.6
265	188	Hunting	188	...	...	6.6	37.2
513	402	Huntleigh Tech	428	...	...	1.3	24.7
379	288	IMI	335	+1	...	3.7	28.4
138	110	ISA Intl	125	...	...	1.7	16.8
165	48	Intercare Gp	48	-1	...	9.1	5.1
325	284	Isotron	293	...	4.4	1.9	16.5
710	409½	Jardine Math	576	+22½	...	2.5	13.4
628	488	Johnson Matth	575	...	...	2.5	22.9
51	37	Johnson & FB	40½	-½	...	1.1	...
294	149	Johnston	282	...	...	0.9	...
32	25	Jones Shipman	31	...	...	...	...
36	27½	Jourdan (T)	31	...	...	4.1	30.3
191½	148½	Kalon	166†	+2½	...	3.3	15.7
301	230	Kelsey Ind	287	+3	...	3.5	...
855	730	Kenshaw (A)	845†	...	...	4.1	38.9
276	197	Kleeneze	203	...	...	0.6	45.1
444	341	Laird	412	-1	...	3.2	19.4
170	145	Lilleshall	168†	-1	...	3.5	17.6
229	205	Lincat	211	-1	...	3.7	14.9
405	313	Linton Park	405	+2	...	4.6	∞
14	6½	Linreast	6½	...	...	5.8	14.7
20½	15	Locker (T) A	15½	...	...	1.6	∞
152½	[illegible]	Lon Intl	95	...	...	...	...
175½	124½	Lonrho	136†	+1	...	3.7	37.3
436	364	Low & Bonar	429†	+1	...	3.0	17.1
49	41	ML Hdgs	44†	...	...	2.4	15.3
67	49	MS Intl	49†	...	...	6.4	29.6
70	45	MY Holdings	59	...	...	3.2	14.3
271	223	Macfarlane	257	+9	...	2.0	23.2
539	431	McKechnie	481	-1	...	3.8	23.0
127	100	McLeod Russel	118	...	...	6.5	18.4
101	70	Magnolia	77	+2	...	0.2	...
172	129	Mang Bronze	172	+5	...	2.5	19.4
26½	19½	Marling	25†	...	...	3.3	44.8
231	166	Mayborn	188	...	...	3.9	13.1
64	53	Mayflower	62	...	...	2.8	25.0
187	120	Medeva	129	+1	...	2.6	11.2
120	77½	Meggitt	85	...	...	5.8	12.7
120	101	Metalrax	109	...	...	4.2	18.1
128	99	Metrotect	100	...	...	4.3	∞
133	99	Metsec	133	+1	...	1.9	18.5
121	83	Midstates	93	...	...	1.0	12.9
589	548	Molins	562	...	...	3.4	11.3
408	326	Morgan Cble	355	...	...	4.4	17.9
217	176	Morris Ashby	208†	...	...	3.6	∞
51	34	Neepsend	38†	+3	...	4.1	17.8
80	42	Nestor-BNA	49	-1	...	8.0	11.0
274	214	Nobo Gp	241†	...	...	3.1	∞
212½	120	Norcros	123	-2	...	7.1	22.1
35	29½	Novo Group	31	-1½	...	4.4	10.0
64	48	OMI Intl	54½	...	...	4.0	...
175	160	PCT	163	...	7.2	5.6	∞
91	16	Pacer Systems	81	-2	...	6.0	26.7
46	31	Pascoe's	42	...	...	...	...
123	84	Pentland	104	...	...	3.4	22.6
310	220	Photo-Me	280	+1	4.7	2.0	17.4
208	162	Pilkington	194½	-½	...	2.6	...
53	38	Plaxt & Gen	51	...	1.5	3.7	∞
185	82	Plasmbrook	165	-7	...	2.6	19.5
185	129	Polypipe	138	-1	...	1.9	17.7
38	16	Porter Chadburn	38	...	...	...	...
341	218	Powerscreen	302	...	...	3.0	13.5
23½	16½	Prospect Inds	18½	...	...	5.6	9.8
77	56	RPS Group	60	...	...	5.0	12.4
108	80	Radiant Metal	80	...	...	...	...
447½	355½	Rank Org	425†	-1	...	3.7	27.3
64	13	Ransomes	64	...	...	...	...
723	557	Reckitt Colm	646	+1	...	3.4	16.1
95	70	Record	89	...	...	5.1	20.0
5½	3½	Reece	4	...	...	...	...
291	211	Relyon	264†	-2	...	2.6	48.2
308	268	Renishaw	290	...	...	2.8	36.5
180	126	Renold	172½	+1	...	1.8	∞
539½	424	Reuters	514†	-9	...	1.7	25.7
90	74	Rexmore	83†	...	...	3.8	∞
194	138	Ricardo Group	160	...	...	4.5	18.8
73	55	Richard (Leics)	56	...	...	5.1	39.4
104½	82½	Richardson West	86†	...	...	4.7	17.4
164	118½	Rommer	144	...	...	6.5	14.6
24	14½	Ross Gp	14½	...	...	3.4	...
195	157	Rotork	176	...	...	3.2	17.8
140	137	Rubicon	137†	-3	...	4.2	∞
92	62	Russell (A)	92	...	...	2.4	32.7
42	34½	SKF Indl	39†	...	...	2.9	18.4
1459½	1087½	SKF 'B'	1181½	+15½	...	...	...
272	180	Scapa	222	...	...	3.3	18.9
230	168	Scholl	182	-1	...	4.4	14.8
291	242	Scotia	290	+2	...	...	...
1450	1146	Securicor	1450†	+10	...	0.3	35.9
1036	785	-do- 'A'	1009†	+25	...	0.4	25.0
892	606	Security Serv	776†	+22	...	0.9	24.8
150½	89½	Senior Eng	118	-½	...	3.6	19.0
353	291	Seton Health	353	...	...	2.3	16.0
180	138	Shiloh	163	+5	...	2.7	10.8
358	266	Sidlaw	277	-1	...	4.9	13.5
630	517	Siebe	583†	-1	...	2.4	18.8
378	194	Silentnight	223	+9	...	4.5	12.8
196	137	Sime Darby	196	+5	...	2.5	21.6
130½	75	Simon Eng	114	...	...	...	...
244	186	Sinclair (Wm)	201	...	...	4.4	16.3
70	35	Six Hundred	69	...	...	2.7	...
159½	136½	Smith & Neph	156	...	...	4.1	17.1
465½	357½	SmithKline	465½‡	+6½	...	2.9	18.1
421	332	SmithKline Uts	421†	+10	...	3.2	16.4
527½	429	Smiths Ind	467	-4	...	3.3	18.7
104	41	Stan Bat	47	...	...	9.9	7.3
253	155½	Spandex	253	+3	...	1.2	23.7
1130	430	Spear (JW)	1130	...	...	2.1	19.2
437	337	Spirax-Sarco	422	...	...	2.9	20.5
81½	45	Spring Ram	52½	+1	...	1.2	...
287	197	Staveley	225	...	...	4.7	68.8
266	197	Sterling Ind	266	+6	...	3.0	23.9
220	180	Suter	209†	+1	...	5.5	18.5
604	440½	Swire Pacific 'A'	544½	+21½	...	1.8	∞
178	149	Syltone	165†	...	...	3.7	18.3
455	351	TI	379†	-1	...	3.8	20.9
44	31	TLS Range	40	...	...	1.6	44.3
389	330	TT Group	376	+3	...	3.2	∞
392	192	Takare	210†	-1	2.0	1.2	18.3
852½	686	Takeda Chem	834½	+22½	...	0.8	15.2
114	92	Tinsley (E)	113†	+11	...	6.2	18.4
220	199	Tiona	199	...	...	2.7	16.9
283	213	Tomkins	246†	...	...	3.8	15.8
124	76½	Trafalgar H	91	-2	...	1.4	...
105	63	Transfer Tech	70	...	...	5.9	7.5
183	130	Triplex Lloyd	140†	...	...	6.2	∞
318	262	UniChem	304	...	...	2.7	17.1
440	265	Unitate	265	...	...	4.3	14.4
54	33	Unigroup	44	...	...	...	...
1347	950	Unilever	1146	-25	25.0	2.7	16.5
8115½	6486½	Unilever (NV)	7467½	...	...	2.9	15.0
18½	12	Utd Inds	16	...	...	...	...
1093	816	VSEL	960	-3	...	4.5	8.9
31½	14½	Verson	17	...	...	...	...
201	166	Vickers	198	+1	...	1.9	14.8
327	264	Victaulic	273	...	...	3.7	14.9
522	451	Vinten	484	-2	...	2.0	15.8
803	661	Vosper Thorny	736	...	...	3.1	15.9
65	37	WSP Hldgs	59	...	...	3.9	43.5
527	451	Wagon Ind	510†	...	...	4.4	∞
200	60	Wakebourne	80	...	...	...	...
114	97	Walker Greenbk	103	...	3.3	4.8	∞
326	240½	Wassall	336	-1	...	1.3	28.8
62	44	Watford Wdgwd	62	-1	...	...	48.3
365	254	Weir	302	-1	...	2.8	17.4
731	498	Wellcome	721†	-3	...	3.0	16.4
220	200	Wellington Hdg	200	...	...	3.2	19.3
39½	38	Wellman	38	-½	...	3.0	62.0
400	294	West Bthcare	352†	...	...	1.6	∞
548	455	Whatman	468	-2	...	2.7	16.6
264	108	Whessoe	126	-1	...	7.5	10.4
147	90	Whitecroft	147	+1½	...	1.7	23.2
13½	10	Widney	11½	...	...	...	...
414½	329	Williams Hldg	361	-7	...	4.4	19.4
57	39½	Wilshaw	55½	...	...	1.4	22.8
975	705	Wolseley	814	+5	...	2.2	19.8
195	153	Wood (Arthur)	155	...	...	2.4	31.7
67	40	Wyko	60	...	...	1.1	∞
96	70	Young (H)	79	...	...	5.2	...

INSURANCE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1493½	937½	Alex & Alex	1343½	-50	...	5.0	...
2043½	1693½	Am Gen	1962½	-67½	...	3.9	...
86	50½	Archer	52	...	...	2.4	...
165	89	Bradstock	96†	...	...	7.2	11.0
550	370	Britannic	409†	-4	...	4.0	...
117	90	CLM Insce	93†	...	1.4	1.9	...
711	498	Com Union	554†	-9	...	4.6	15.8
1950	1663	Dom & Gen	1663	...	...	1.8	22.0
64	33	FAI	45	+3	...	1.1	...
194	144	Fenchurch Grp	155	...	...	5.5	13.8
757	533	Gen Accident	581	-7	...	6.1	9.2
247	161	GRE	194	-3	...	5.1	3.6
457	287	Heath C E	287	-1	...	7.0	...
323	239	Independent Ins	258	-1	...	4.0	7.3
203	128½	JIB Group	148	-1	...	6.3	13.5
547	407	Legal & Gen	479	+6	...	5.2	16.1
1390½	975	Liberty Life	1337½	...	...	8.0	5.0
119	93	LIMIT	96½	+1	...	1.3	∞
471	322	Lloyds Abbey	374†	+4	...	6.2	11.3
310	165	Lloyd Thomp	165	...	7.1	5.4	10.3
181	159	Lombard Ins	161	+3	...	5.4	∞
443	313	Londn & Man	339	-3	...	5.8	16.9
236	190	Lowndes Lmb	195‡	...	...	9.6	6.1
5893½	5337½	Marsh McLn	5587½	+131½	...	3.4	...
188	147	Nelson Hurst	154	...	...	4.5	15.4
129½	105	Orion	112‡	...	...	5.6	∞
83	38	PWS	44	...	...	8.5	...
385	271	Prudential	332	-2½	...	5.0	15.8
404	264	Refuge	286	...	...	5.0	21.1
390	232½	Royal	290†	-2	...	3.8	7.5
222	157	Sedgwick	163†	-1	...	4.6	18.3
155	105	Steel Burrill	118	...	...	9.5	...
87	54	Sturge Hldgs	59†	...	...	6.4	21.0
418	285	Sun Alliance	345	-5	...	5.3	15.7
96	51	Trade Indemnty	65	...	...	1.7	14.4
464	343	Transatlantic	366†	-2	...	4.1	33.1
673	468	Utd Friendly	545	...	...	3.8	29.0
245	133	Willis Corroon	153	...	...	5.5	13.4
28	20	Windsor	21	...	...	...	16.5



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INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
322½	280	3i	320	...	...	2.6	...
2058	1708	Alliance	1893†	-9	...	3.1	...
479	401	Anglo & O'seas	453†	+2	...	2.0	...
161	123	BZW Conv	150	+1	7.8	6.5	...
219	173	Bankers	198†	+1	...	2.4	...
381	311	Baring Tribne	347†	+1	...	2.4	...
248	198	Berry Starq	228	+3	2.2	1.2	∞
120½	91½	Br Assets	102½	...	...	5.3	...
98	89	Br Empire Sec	96	...	...	1.2	...
46	31	-do- Wnts	42	+½	...	...	...
234	198	Br Inv	216	+1	...	2.8	...
272	221	Brunner	254†	+2	...	2.6	...
223	194	Contl Asset	211	...	...	1.8	...
173	147	Derby Inc	165†	...	...	11.9	...
328	268	-do- Cap	318	...	...	...	...
100	73	Drayton Blue	86	+1	...	12.2	...
111	84	-do- Eng Intl	99	...	...	1.0	...
156	128	-do- Far East	154†	+2	...	0.5	...
784	613	Dunedin Inc G	681	-1	...	4.9	...
108	85	-do- Japan	99	+½	...	...	...
80	45	-do- Warrants	55½	...	...	...	...
341	292	Dunedin Smlr	328	+4	...	3.4	...
827	725	-do- Wrlde	822	+2	...	1.4	...
360	281	Edinburgh	329	-1	...	3.3	...
354	286	Electra Inv	333	...	...	2.7	...
220	185	Electric Gen	202†	+½	...	2.0	...
127	106	English Scot	124	...	...	...	...
345	286	European Asset	327†	+1	...	1.8	...
172	146	Finsbury 'A'	160	+1	3.0	2.3	...
343	276½	Fleming Amer	318†	+1½	...	0.4	...
145	77½	Fleming Chinese	89	+1	...	...	...
92	42	-do- Warrants	49½	+1	...	...	...
267	196	-do- Claver	230†	+2	...	3.1	...
385	305	-do- Contl	358	+1	...	0.8	...
264	190	-do- Entp	214†	...	...	2.8	∞
459	327	-do- F East	371	+2	1.5	0.5	...
422	359½	-do- Fledg	376†	-1	...	1.0	...
120	89	-do- Hi Inc	101½	...	...	5.4	...
283	223	-do- Japan	283	+1	...	0.2	...
347	269½	-do- Merc	307†	...	...	2.7	...
347½	280½	-do- Oseas	315	-1	4.2	1.7	...
155½	126½	Foreign & Col	145½†	+½	...	1.5	...
148	106½	-do- Emg Mkts	136½	+1½	0.2	0.2	...
77	64½	-do- Enterprise	73	...	...	1.0	...
261	216	-do- Eurost	249	...	...	0.6	...
145	116	-do- German	140	...	...	0.4	...
374	307	-do- Pacific	340	+1	...	0.8	...
192	159½	-do- Smaller	182	+1½	...	1.4	∞
301	247	GT Japan	271	...	...	0.6	...
300	150	Genl Cons Cap	190	+1	...	...	...
115½	105	-do- Inc	110†	...	...	9.9	...
191	139	Govett Am Smlr	148	...	...	...	...
151	101	-do- Emg Mkts	132†	...	...	0.2	∞
96½	80	-do- Global Smlr	89	+½	...	...	...
112	83	-do- High Inc	91	...	...	7.0	...
412	349	-do- Oriental	402	+3	...	0.3	...
346	259	Govett Strategic	262	...	...	3.2	...
475	410	Greenfriar	430†	...	...	1.9	...
19	19	Gresham House	19	...	...	...	...
105	86	Herald	100	...	...	...	...
99	92	Intl Biotech	95	...	...	...	...
50	30	-do- Warrants	45	...	...	...	...
158	122	Inv Cap	137½†	...	...	4.7	...
119	94	IBS UK Smllr	113	+1	...	3.1	...
177	126	INVESCO Korea	159	...	...	...	...
243	196½	Kleinwort Chrt	226	+1	...	2.8	...
88½	75½	-do- Euro Prvt	85½	+1	...	...	...
49	23½	-do- Euro Wts	36	+1	...	...	...
272½	232½	-do- O'seas	254½†	+1½	...	1.7	...
165	134	-do- Smlr	139	+1	...	3.1	...
826	672	Law Debenture	784†	+2	...	3.1	...
227	190	Majedie	210	...	...	3.0	...
324	237	Merchants	285	...	...	4.9	...
90	79½	Mercury Euro Pv	90	-½	...	...	...
45	28½	-do- Warrants	37	+1	...	...	...
125	98	-do- World Mng	106	+1	...	...	...
52½	35	-do- World Wts	37	+½	...	...	...
2987½	2250	Merrill Lynch	2537½	-75	...	...	...
595	492	Monks Inv Tst	555	...	...	1.6	...
159	127	Morg Grenf Inc	142	...	...	4.0	...
64	43	-do- Warrants	54	...	...	...	...
110	87	-do- Latin Amer	110	+1½	...	...	...
65	39	-do- Warrants	64	...	...	...	...
148	114	Murray Ent	133‡	+2	...	1.9	...
58	34	-do- Warrants	41	...	...	...	...
68	54	Murray Euro	63	...	...	0.6	...
23½	16	-do- Wts	18½	+½	...	...	...
393	317	Murray Incme	363	...	...	4.1	...
395	319	-do- Intl	359	...	...	4.4	...
546	424	-do- Small	494†	+2	...	1.1	...
97	82	-do- S/C Inc	89†	...	...	14.0	...
174	135	-do- S/C Cap	148	...	...	...	...
3400	2975	-do- S/C Uts	3080†	...	...	4.3	...
162	153	-do- S/C DP	161½	...	...	...	...
363	324	-do- Venti	335	...	...	4.4	...
95	61	Nesfurog Inc	64	...	...	9.3	...
404	333	O'seas Inv Tst	380	...	...	1.0	...
241	179	-do- Warrants	208	...	...	...	...
640½	437	Pacific Assets	552	+2	...	0.3	...
542	335	-do- Warrants	452	+5	...	...	...
9400	7900	Personal Assets	8125	...	195	3.0	∞
189	166½	RIT Cap Ptnr	184	+1	...	1.0	...
127	113	River & Merc	114†	...	...	10.1	...
449	413	Robeco	442	+7	...	2.9	...
463	415	Rolinco	449	+4	...	1.7	...
343	290	St Andrew Inv	328†	...	...	3.0	...
183	150½	Scot American	170½	-½	...	3.5	...
368	278	Scott Asian	293	+3	...	...	...
1070	663	-do- Warrants	798	...	...	...	...
97½	77	-do- Eastern	85†	...	...	2.2	...
262½	209½	Scottish	232½	...	...	2.7	∞
260½	205	-do- Mtge	242	-1	...	2.1	...
133½	111½	-do- Value	121	+½	...	2.0	...
1795	1520	Second Allnce	1698	+3	...	2.9	...
106	77½	Secs Tst of Scot	90	...	...	4.5	...
179	148	Selective Asset	168	+2	...	1.1	...
51½	41	Sphere Inv	46‡	...	...	9.2	...
205	149	TR Far East	172†	+2	...	3.8	...
177½	139½	TR City Of Lon	152†	-½	...	4.0	...
126½	86	TR Pacific	119	+2	...	0.2	...
43½	34	TR Property	36‡	+½	...	3.1	...
152	113	TR Tech Inv	132	...	...	1.7	...
228	182	TR Smlr Cos	212†	...	...	2.2	∞
412	310	Temple Bar	363†	+1	...	4.7	...
135	102	Thrgtn Asian E	119	+1	...	0.5	...
101	72½	Throgmorton	82†	...	...	3.5	...
568	468	Throg Dual Cp	548	...	...	...	...
369	333	USDC Invest	363	+1	...	2.1	...
129	109½	Value Inc Tst	120½	...	...	4.1	...
257½	205	Witan	241½	+½	...	3.0	...

LEISURE

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
578½	417	Airtours	459	+4	...	2.5	15.9
46½	19	Ald Les	24	...	...	15.6	7.8
177	155	Alpha Airpts	163	...	...	3.1	∞
131	85	Baldwin	117	...	...	3.8	15.2
333	267	Barr & W 'A'	275	-4	...	4.5	12.1
365	331	Boosey Hwks	365	...	...	1.7	22.0
205	133	Border TV	194†	...	...	2.6	16.2
7½	3½	Brent Walker	4	...	...	...	...
170	100	Bristol Scots	158	...	...	...	...
7½	2½	Buckingham Int	3	...	...	...	...
74	41	Campari	44	...	...	...	...
439	328	Capital Radio	395	-2	...	2.0	34.6
1047	520	Carlton Comm	858	-9	...	2.8	18.9
360	248	Castle Comm	360	...	...	3.1	22.8
211	114	Chrysalis	211	...	3.2	1.9	...
374	305	Compass Gp	348	+2	...	2.4	20.5
290	232	Eurocamp	286	...	9.9	4.3	11.8
213	92	Euro Disney	110	-7	...	...	...
4	2½	Euro Leisure	3½	...	...	...	...
435	308	Fairline Boats	431	-2	...	3.5	20.0
350	262	First Leisure	286	...	...	2.9	18.9
478	309	Flextech	424	...	...	...	...
1033	675	GWR Gp	903†	...	...	1.5	32.7
318	228	Grampian	318	...	...	2.9	17.0
172	106	HTV Group	172	+1	...	0.7	47.5
96	62	Hi-Tec Sports	84	...	...	4.1	12.4
18½	11½	Kunick	13½	...	...	...	...
259	200	London Clubs	254	...	...	5.9	12.9
702	539	Man Utd	669	+4	...	3.7	27.0
15	13½	My Kinda Town	13½	...	...	...	...
57	34	Northern	56	+2	...	2.2	10.8
130	61	Owners Abrd	104½	...	...	4.2	...
99	65½	The Pelican Gp	99†	+1	...	1.4	∞
183	135	Prism Leisure	135†	...	...	3.9	9.5
43	28	Quadrant Grp	30	...	...	...	...
278	205	Ramsdens (H)	275†	...	...	2.0	41.4
628	395	Scott Radio	625	...	...	2.1	24.4
574	355	Scot TV	460	...	...	3.4	25.2
40½	24	SelecTV	25	...	...	...	...
350	294½	Stanley Leisure	342†	+1	...	1.9	19.3
153	125	Sunset & Vine	129	...	3.5	3.4	19.7
349½	280	Tanjong	280	...	...	1.1	∞
131	75	Tottenham Hot	125	-6	...	2.0	47.8
182	85	Trans World	179	...	...	0.9	65.3
760	518	Ulster TV	655	...	...	2.9	24.5
150	129	VCI	147	...	...	4.7	13.1
149	112	Vardon	131	...	...	1.1	23.2
376	150	Yorkshire TV	376	+2	...	...	...
129	110	Zetters Gp	127†	...	...	8.4	∞

MINING

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
3762½	2509½	Ang Am	3718½	+21½	...	1.9	34.3
3518½	1762½	Ang Am Coal	3506½	...	...	2.6	19.0
6606½	4593½	Ang Am Gold	6606½	+103½	...	3.7	19.2
36	22	Anglo Pac Res	27	...	...	...	...
1512½	1256½	Ashanti	1275	+9½	...	...	...
404	275	Bakyrchik	305	...	...	...	...
184	90½	Blyvoors	152	-2½	...	...	...
37	22½	Bracken	26	+½	...	3.5	71.7
898	580½	Buffels	644½	+3½	...	8.6	∞
6	2½	Burne	2½	...	...	...	...
968	745½	CRA	968	+12	...	2.3	29.6
55½	36	Cluff Res	50	+1	...	...	...
130	28½	Coal Inv	129	...	...	...	...
1750	1167½	De Beers	1500	-12½	...	3.6	15.5
148	88	Deelkraal	107½	+½	...	3.4	∞
74	30½	Doornfontein	68½	+½	...	...	...
996	666½	Driefontein	966½	-10½	...	4.5	...
928	549½	Durban	782½	+4½	...	...	...
178½	107	E Rand Gold	159½	+1	...	11.4	5.9
122½	59½	E Rand Prop	77½	+6½	...	...	...
451½	300½	Elandsrand	448½	+2½	...	3.6	10.2
1239	741½	FS Cons	1043½	+6	...	6.8	10.5
64	27	FS Dev	46	...	...	...	...
1900	1193½	GFSA	1837½	+18½	...	2.1	∞
196½	108½	Gencor	189½	-2½	...	3.3	30.6
80	53½	GM Kalgoorli	58½	+½	...	2.5	21.1
22	14	Greenwich R 'A'	18½	...	...	...	...
202	105½	Grootvlei	159½	+1	...	5.7	∞
418½	319½	Harmony	411	-4½	...	...	...
430	268½	Hartles	362	+11½	...	8.0	∞
1440½	831½	Impala Plat	1368½	-9½	...	1.9	41.4
1319½	890½	Kinross	1029½	+15½	...	4.8	∞
966½	568½	Kloof	966½	+21½	...	3.4	∞
137	69½	Leslie	104½	+½	...	7.8	∞
333	176½	Loraine	305½	+1½	...	...	...
1137½	887½	Lydenburg	1137½	...	...	2.0	∞
162	118	MIM	152	+9	...	1.6	62.7
1662½	1227	Minorco	1662½	+68½	...	2.3	19.9
201½	146½	Nth Brkn Hill	187	+12	...	2.9	22.0
899	790	RTZ	880	+7	...	2.9	27.1
425	187½	Rand Mines	425	...	...	2.5	16.1
801½	547½	Randfontein	742	+4½	...	4.4	∞
295	207	Renison	246	+7	...	...	...
1531½	1078½	Rustenburg	1468½‡	+25	...	2.0	∞
750	539½	St Helena	664½	-½	...	4.0	∞
2887½	1484½	Southvaal	1850†	+67½	...	4.8	21.0
135½	73	Stilfontein	127½‡	+½	...	21.4	∞
189½	90	Unisel	189½‡	+40	...	2.4	∞
7600	4943½	Vaal Reefs	6100†	+115½	...	4.3	9.8
986½	508½	Western Areas	986½	+18	...	7.4	∞
3362½	2050	Western Deep	2821½‡	+50	...	3.7	9.6
398	300½	Wstrn Mining	386†	+13	...	1.4	...
1225	603½	Winkels	712½†	+12½	...	5.1	∞
86	50	Zambia Copper	59	...	...	...	...
68	48	Zandpan	55	...	...	9.1	∞

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
283	233	Abbey Panels	283	...	...	...	...
132	108	Airflow Stream	132	...	3.0	2.8	19.9
175	126	Appleyard	136	-1	...	5.5	22.2
405	305	Bletchley Mtr	308	...	...	4.0	12.5
290	180	Bostrom	290	...	...	2.6	27.4
584	390	Br Aerospace	484	-6	...	2.1	42.5
57	42	Burndene	44†	...	...	5.7	12.8
465	280	Caffyns	360	...	...	4.0	24.3
22	13½	Caverdale	18†	...	...	1.0	18.2
130	98	Central Mtrs	103†	...	...	4.2	25.5
51	32½	Cook (DC)	41†	...	...	3.0	∞
348	249	Cowie	252†	...	...	4.1	12.3
192½	127	Dag Motors	153	-1	...	5.1	17.6
158	113	Davenport Vern	156	...	...	2.6	15.5
332	275	ERF	312	+2	...	0.8	...
234	220	Eurodollar	220	...	...	4.8	17.2
173	116	European Mtr	126‡	...	...	4.2	13.2
539½	309	Evans Halshaw	437†	...	...	4.1	13.7
310	235	FR Group	286	...	...	3.2	16.2
2359½	1806½	Ford Motor	1993½‡	+81½	...	...	...
4387½	3112½	General Mtr	3350†	+112½	...	1.6	...
90	60	Gowrings	75	...	...	3.3	...
342½	266½	Henlys	292	...	...	3.2	30.1
1239	918½	Honda Motor	1073½	-3½	...	0.4	...
58	35	Jacks (Wm)	53	+2	...	...	18.4
184	145	Kwik-Fit	149	+1½	...	3.2	17.1
575	392	Lex Service	404†	...	...	4.1	15.5
282	162	Lookers	139†	...	...	3.6	14.9
239	158	Lucas	200	+1	...	4.4	...
29½	25	Malaya Grp	25†	...	...	1.2	...
310	256	Pendragon	258	+1	...	3.5	18.3
238	175	Perry Gp	200	...	...	4.4	11.0
218	156	Quicks Group	173	...	...	3.8	18.0
204	161	Rolls-Royce	198	-4½	...	3.2	34.9
261	203	T & N	242	-4	...	5.6	27.6
333	263	Trinity Hldgs	333	...	...	2.3	24.1
221	163	Vardy (Reg)	183†	...	...	3.1	17.3

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
355	198	Adscene	309	+6	5.7	2.3	31.6
335	300	Black (A&C)	325	...	...	5.2	13.8
402	228	Blenheim Gp	236	...	...	5.4	8.8
413	365	Bristol	377	...	...	4.1	26.0
1650	1100	Daily Mail	1366½	...	...	1.4	31.7
1494½	868½	Daily Mail 'A'	1018½	...	...	1.9	23.9
314	260	Dorling Kind	311	...	...	1.3	28.1
6712½	5381½	Elsevier	6353½	+101½	...	3.1	20.4
476	366½	EMAP	420	...	...	2.6	25.7
1975	1450	Euromoney Pb	1825	...	...	2.8	32.1
194	32	Harrington K	43†	...	...	7.8	∞
515	328	Haynes Pub	480	+2	...	2.0	24.8
408	340	Hodder H'line	352	...	...	1.8	57.3
180	150	Home Counts	153	...	...	3.7	37.5
220	161	Ind Bus Comm	219	...	...	1.1	14.4
15	8	Int Cm & Dmna	9½	...	...	...	...
340	277½	Independent	308	...	...	3.1	10.5
669	551	Johnston Press	590	+6	7.0	1.5	21.7
110	43	MAID	75	+1	...	...	...
492	338	Metal Bulletn	484†	+1	...	2.0	25.2
177½	152	Midland Ind	164	+1½	...	2.1	22.4
203	123	Mirror Gp	145	+1	...	...	5.7
514½	382½	News Corp	443	+14	...	0.3	∞
314	224	News Intl	249	+4	...	0.7	∞
735	570	Pearson	661	-4	...	2.5	23.7
760	380	Portsmth Sund	685	...	...	1.9	∞
964	734	Reed Int	795†	+1	...	3.1	24.1
249	187	Southnews	226	...	...	1.6	29.6
200	143	Sterling Pub	148†	-2	...	3.0	12.7
622	323	Telegraph	366	-1	...	4.3	12.7
885	695	Thomson Corp	725†	-20	30.1	5.2	36.2
472	394	Trinity Intl	415	...	...	2.9	20.5
45	18½	Unit Group	36	...	...	...	...
731	475	Utd Nwspprs	548	...	...	5.0	15.0

OILS, GAS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
38½	24½	Aran Energy	38	+1	...	...	23.0
53	35	Arcon Intl	46	...	...	...	...
74½	59	Aus Oil & Gas	68½	-1½	...	...	...
67	43	Aviva Pet	43	...	...	...	...
9	6	Beverley	6½	...	...	...	64.6
249	197	Br Borneo	224	...	...	4.0	11.6
389	253	British Gas	304½	-5½	...	6.0	...
430	340	Br Petroleum	414½	+½	...	2.8	22.7
3½	1½	Buis Resources	3½	...	...	...	...
917	811	Burmah Castl	916	+15	...	3.8	19.3
84	54	Cairn Energy	79	...	...	...	43.5
375	261	Calor Gp	279	...	...	5.6	14.3
51	33	Clyde Pet	39	-1	...	...	...
30	14½	Coplex Res	19½	+1	...	...	...
27½	17	Edin Oil & Gas	21	...	...	...	22.7
486	379	Enterprise	401	-1	...	5.0	24.9
26½	21	Fairhaven Intl	22½	...	...	5.4	9.2
8½	4½	Fortune	6½	...	...	...	...
77	54	Goal Pet	69	...	...	2.5	18.2
46	31	GI Western Res	45	...	...	...	...
177	139	Hardy O & G	141	...	...	0.9	18.0
55	40	Kelt Energy	48	...	...	3.5	...
169	110½	LASMO	155	-1	...	0.8	...
73	53	-do- Units	59	...	9.4	20.0	...
75	55	Monument	71	...	...	...	58.2
7½	4½	New London	4½	...	...	...	...
50	26	Oil Search	46	-1	...	...	...
50½	17½	Petrou	38½	+½	...	...	...
168	153	Pict Pet	160	...	...	...	...
111	100	Pittencrieff Rs	106	...	...	...	...
32½	21½	Premier	28½	+½	...	...	16.0
158	118	Presidio	126	...	...	5.2	...
212	129	Ranco Egy	206	-6	...	0.3	...
463	325	Ranger	420	+15	...	5.0	...
7700	6081½	Royal Dtch Pt	7315½	-14½	...	4.3	19.3
4084½	3461½	Schlumberger	3709½	+6½	...	2.1	...
66	50	Seafield	63	+1	...	...	...
755	651	Shell	745	+6	...	4.0	22.6
187	128	Sunrise Eng Sv	129	...	...	...	...
19	9½	Villiers Grp	11	+½	...	...	...
237	178½	Woodside	237	+12	...	1.6	...
110	28	YCL	69	...	...	...	...

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1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
184	145	AG Holdings	147	...	...	4.5	13.3
444	377	API	377	...	...	2.9	23.7
316	237	Arjo Wiggins	279	-2	...	2.9	42.9
730	540	Abbott Mead	680	...	...	1.9	36.2
33	17½	Aegis Gp	32½	...	...	...	...
205	145	Aspen Comm	170	...	4.9	3.6	∞
26	18	BBB Design	20	...	...	...	10.3
472	412	Bemrose	412	...	...	3.6	14.7
13½	7½	Birkdale	7½	...	...	...	...
186	130	Bunzl	169	+3	...	3.0	22.7
169	117½	CIA Gp	146†	...	...	1.5	23.6
198	129	Capital Inds	183	...	...	...	14.4
36	32	Chime Comm	32	...	...	...	...
99	76	Cray Of Lona	95	...	...	5.8	16.5
439	304	Cropper (James)	323	-1	...	1.4	16.2
114	80	Delyn Group	80	...	...	2.6	14.5
137	104	Dolphin Pack	118	...	...	4.8	15.2
83	71	Dudley Jenkins	72†	...	...	5.7	15.9
17	12	Elswick	16½	...	...	2.5	18.5
101	75	Fairway Group	95†	...	...	4.5	17.7
430	341	Ferguson Intl	343	...	...	4.6	14.6
145	128	Ferry Pick	129	...	...	5.5	...
227	188	Filofax	207	-1	...	1.1	20.4
17½	8	Finch	13	...	...	...	...
149	132	Gibbon Lyons	139†	...	...	4.9	13.0
275	171	Gold Greenless	180	...	...	3.7	∞
34	23	Goodhead	28	...	...	0.2	∞
30	7½	Humberprint	7½	-1½	...	...	...
162	128	Intereurope	132	...	...	7.4	11.9
281½	248	Jarvis Porter	279	...	...	2.3	20.0
33½	22	Lopex	32	...	...	1.0	36.2
431	344	More O'Ferrall	360	...	...	4.5	21.1
424	230	Osborne & Little	424	+1	...	1.9	15.4
60	32	Osprey Comms	38	...	...	0.2	...
820	513	Portals	658	...	...	3.0	19.2
3	1½	Premier Rith	2	...	...	...	...
339	260	Quarto	261	...	...	2.9	14.2
412	322	St Ives Gp	373	+1	...	2.0	26.2
178	127	Saatchi	168	+2	...	...	34.0
823½	464½	Sappi	823½	+6½	...	12.7	4.9
30½	18	Serif	21	...	...	...	...
57	30½	Shandwick	49†	...	...	1.1	7.4
573	398	Smith David	566†	...	...	2.4	25.3
426	286	Smurfit (Jeff)	426	+11	...	1.2	60.7
119	90	Somic	90	...	...	3.5	∞
254	210	Stat-Plus	215	-1	...	5.1	20.4
36	25½	Taylor Nelson	36	-½	...	1.6	30.1
161	118½	VTR	135	...	...	3.7	21.4
36½	25	WMGO	25½	...	...	2.5	12.5
129	63½	WPP	118	-1	...	1.1	∞
270	182	Wace	250†	+1	...	2.0	24.3
291	209	Waddington (J)	230‡	+1	...	4.6	11.3
511	403	Watmough	421	...	...	2.0	26.6
44	29	Whitney Mck	39	...	...	...	...
132	98	Wyndeham	127	...	...	2.2	18.4

PROPERTY

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
130	99	Allied Ldn	111	-2	...	4.1	14.0
48	36	Arcadian	40	...	...	...	...
271	253	Argent	271	...	...	...	...
10½	3½	Aston Hldgs	4	...	...	...	...
144	109	Asda	116	-1	...	2.4	20.6
191	113	Avonside	135	...	...	3.9	15.8
2573	2096½	BCE	2265½	+15½	...	...	...
382½	258	Bilton	273	...	...	4.4	19.9
108	72	Bourne End	93	...	...	1.3	...
226	200	Bradford	216	...	...	3.8	15.2
32½	10	Bredero	10	...	...	...	7.3
474	380	Br Land	401	-4	...	2.3	35.1
137	121	Brightstone	121	...	...	3.9	27.4
276	170	Brixton	206	-2	...	4.9	18.0
118	90½	Burford	93	...	...	1.7	32.9
207½	125½	Cap & Regnl	158	...	...	1.2	62.3
229	191	Cap Shop Ctrs	215	-1	...	3.8	51.7
325	230	Cardiff Prop	268†	-10	...	1.2	59.9
185	152	Chelsfield	170	-1	...	1.8	41.9
678	534	Chesterfield	534	...	...	2.8	24.0
84	36	City Site Ests	65	...	...	...	...
12½	8	Clarke Nickolls	8	-1	...	...	16.7
350	285	Compco	310	...	...	5.5	∞
56	32	Conrad Rtsin GS	40	...	...	...	...
1755	1458	Daejan	1510†	...	...	2.4	17.6
25½	5	Dares Estates	11½	...	...	...	...
156	103	Debenham Twsn	115†	...	...	3.8	18.6
17	6	De Morgan	8½	...	...	...	...
180	161	Dencora	170	...	...	2.4	47.7
347½	263	Derwent Hldgs	288	...	...	2.1	23.9
41	22½	Development Sec	22½	...	...	...	...
51	45	Dwyer	51	+1	...	...	...
400	275	Estates Agency	415†	...	...	3.2	50.1
47	18	Estates Gen	26½	...	...	...	...
132	100	Evans Of Leeds	119	...	...	2.7	20.8
43½	27	Ex-Lands	31	...	...	1.4	...
80	68	Fiscal Prop	68	-1	...	...	...
78	34	Five Oaks	27	...	...	0.9	...
78	64	Fletcher King	64†	...	...	2.9	∞
536	407	Frogmore	442	...	...	4.6	19.5
325	228	Grainger	268	...	...	2.5	47.9
260	174	Gr Portland	198	-4	...	5.1	37.7
17½	12½	Greycoat	15	+½	...	...	...
269	149	HK Land	164½	+6½	...	0.5	∞
94	43	Hambro Cntryw	45	-3	...	0.7	45.7
435	329	Hammerson	356	-1	...	3.5	35.7
390	298	Helical Bar	368	...	...	2.0	14.7
40½	29½	Hemingway	33	+½	...	1.5	56.7
78	37	Herring Baker	52	...	...	3.6	...
315	138	Jermyn	169	...	...	...	32.5
792	588	Land Sec	640	-8	...	4.7	18.2
122	89	Lon Merch Sec	95	...	...	5.5	14.0
16	9	Lon & Metro	10	...	...	...	0.5
562	409	MEPC	463	-3	...	5.4	26.6
15½	6½	McInerney A	8½	...	...	...	...
190	164	McKay Secs	185†	...	...	3.5	18.3
81	59	Merivale Mre	75	...	...	...	...
55	27	Moorfield Est	33†	-1	...	3.8	...
1425	1200	Mountview	1225	...	...	2.3	12.7
196	154	Mucklow (A&J)	164	...	...	4.7	23.8
50	32	OEM	32	...	...	...	...
64	37½	Olives Prop	39	...	...	...	14.6
191	148	PSIT	162†	...	...	3.6	22.0
390	258	Peel	256†	...	...	2.2	∞
12½	4½	Power Corp	5	...	...	...	...
9½	5	Premier Land	6	...	...	...	...
53	32	Raglan	33½	...	...	...	12.3
40	27	Regalian	27½	...	...	...	10.4
180	140	Rowlinson Secs	175	...	...	1.3	11.1
134	115	Rugby Est	115	...	...	2.4	...
64	46	St Modwen Prp	51†	...	...	2.9	12.7
74	59	Saville Grdn (I)	62	...	...	5.6	∞
100	78	Savills	80†	...	...	3.5	∞
108	82	Scot Met	87	+2	...	2.3	...
135	105	Shaftesbury	105	...	...	...	...
17½	8	Shield	8½	...	...	...	4.5
307	221	Slough Estates	247	-1	...	4.2	40.0
103	63	Southend Prop	65†	-2	...	4.6	...
50	33	Stanhope Prps	35	...	...	...	...
39	34	TBI	39	...	...	...	2.1
244	182	Tops Ests	189†	...	...	1.5	45.0
163	119	Town Centre	125	...	...	3.5	22.4
107	91	Trafford Park	94	+1	...	3.4	21.6
58	28	UK Land	43	...	...	...	...
317	231	Warner	256†	...	...	5.9	22.7
280	218	Warnford	230†	...	...	4.2	19.0
7½	1½	Waterglade	2½	...	...	...	...
103½	67	Watts	71	...	...	...	...
105	70	Wood John D	80†	...	...	3.1	∞

SHOES, LEATHER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
45	31	Automagic	41	...	...	...	...
173	165	Chamb Phipps	168	...	...	5.4	22.1
202½	148	Lambert	150	...	...	6.2	6.6
75	53	Pittards	72	...	...	1.7	...
26	19	Strong & Fisher	19	...	...	6.6	13.0
250	225	Stylo	244†	...	...	3.0	23.5
69	50½	UK Safety	55	...	...	5.9	11.5

TEXTILES

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
517	488	Allied Text	493†	-1	...	3.3	15.1
71	54	Beckman (A)	54	...	...	8.3	11.6
39½	16	Bolton Gp	18†	...	...	...	...
17½	5½	Brackenbridge	9½	...	...	...	...
226	171	Br Mohair	190	...	...	5.6	25.8
385	292	Claremont Ga	324	+1	...	3.1	17.1
503	457	Courtauld Text	497	-2	...	3.6	19.7
159½	119	Dawson	141	...	...	2.7	...
42	29	Drummond	29	...	...	...	12.9
80	72	Faupel	74†	...	...	8.3	12.5
39	24	Foster (John)	24	...	...	...	...
168	113	Gaskell	140	...	...	3.8	...
33	25½	Helene Plc	28½	+½	...	8.8	11.7
263	222	Hicking Pntcst	262	...	...	3.2	18.6
73	55	Jerome (S)	62	...	...	1.0	31.4
485	385	Lamont	385	...	...	4.1	14.7
340	265	Leeds	295	...	...	2.5	15.0
101	68	Lyles (S)	84	...	...	4.1	...
266	190	Parkland	201	...	...	3.1	12.0
112	80	Readicut	84	...	...	5.1	14.4
70	47	SEET	47	...	...	...	...
146	100	Sirdar	108	-1	...	6.3	7.5
64	50	Stirling Gp	63†	...	...	3.8	∞
46	34	Stoddard	35	...	...	5.7	13.2
330	249	Tomkinsons	249	...	...	5.8	23.4
49	34	West Trust	38	...	...	8.8	25.0
289	230	Yorklyde	277	-2	...	2.7	13.4

TOBACCOS

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
570	372	BAT	437†	-10	...	5.9	11.4
489	337	Rothmans	392	-3	...	4.2	20.9

TRANSPORT

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
313½	228	Assoc Br Ports	292	+5	...	2.0	37.8
541½	440	BAA	515	-4	...	2.2	21.9
128	103½	Badgerline	116	...	...	4.4	...
486½	387	Br Airways	416	...	...	3.3	13.0
108	75	Clarkson (H)	88	...	...	2.5	22.1
592½	254	Eurotunnel Uts	290	...	...	...	...
87	55	Fisher (James)	55	...	...	...	...
155	126½	IoM Steam	147	...	...	3.2	11.2
63	39	Jacobs (JI)	48	...	...	4.3	...
111	92	Lon O'Seas Frts	99	...	...	5.3	2.1
534	380	Mersey Docks	429	-1	...	2.8	20.6
338	245	Natl Express	331	+2	...	2.8	20.6
291	178	NFC	178†	-1	...	5.0	22.3
348	246	Ocean Group	267	...	...	6.7	13.2
91	58	Ocean Wilson	78	...	...	5.1	10.0
743	597	P & O Dfd	690	-9	...	5.5	24.6
189	153	P & O 5 1/2%	189	...	...	3.6	...
705	549	Powell Duffryn	579	...	...	5.1	17.5
102	84	Seacon	88†	+3	...	3.3	20.0
206	158	Stagecoach	198†	...	...	2.6	19.7
131	85½	TNT	131	+6	...	...	...
915	803	Tibbet & Britn	853	...	14.2	2.1	23.0
79	27	Tiphook	37	...	...	...	...
327	217	TDG	226	+1	...	5.3	15.0
133	98	Uglund	133†	+7	...	0.7	∞
160	95	Utd Carriers	103	...	...	...	...

WATER

1994 High	Low	Company	Price (p)	+/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
607	442	Anglian Water	599†	-3	...	4.8	15.6
365	293	Mid Kent Hdgs	315	+7	...	4.6	10.6
751	506	Northumbrian	716†	-11	...	4.2	7.7
611	454	North West	600†	-2	...	4.8	9.0
645	457	Severn Trent	602†	-4	...	4.7	8.4
682	466	Sthrn Water	628†	-4	...	4.6	9.1
1673	1525	Sth Staffs	1673	...	...	3.8	11.1
675	484	South West	570†	+20	...	5.6	8.4
611	434½	Thames Water	549†	-6	...	5.1	9.5
744	546	Welsh Water	716†	+4	...	4.4	7.9
759½	551	Wessex Water	658†	-10	...	4.5	8.7
630	458	Yorkshire W	606†	-3	...	4.7	9.1

Source: Finstat

● USM; # Price at suspension; † Ex dividend; ‡ Ex scrip; † Ex rights issue; ‡ Ex all; ‡ Ex capital distribution; ∞ Figures or report awaited; ... No significant data.

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
103¾	100¾	Treas 9% 1994	100¾	...	8.93	5.29
107½	102½	Treas 12% 1995	102½	-¼	11.71	5.54
98½	97½	Gas 3% 1990-95	98½	...	3.05	5.56
107½	103½	Exch 10¼% 1995	103½	...	9.92	6.33
113½	106½	Treas 12¾% 1995	106½	...	11.94	6.77
117¾	109½	Treas 14% 1996	109½	...	12.83	6.98
121¾	112½	Treas 15¼% 1996	112½	...	13.58	7.24
117¾	109½	Exch 13¼% 1996	109½	+¼	12.12	7.29
112½	104½	Conv 10% 1996	104½	...	9.56	7.61
121¾	111½	Treas 13¼% 1997	111½	+¼	11.87	7.76
114¾	105½	Exch 10½% 1997	105½	+¼	9.93	7.87
110½	101½	Treas 8¾% 1997	101½†	+¼	8.60	8.05
131½	118½	Exch 15% 1997	118½	+¼	12.67	8.21
114½	103½	Exch 9¾% 1998	104½	+¼	9.35	8.22
106½	96½	Treas 7¼% 1998	97½†	+¼	7.47	8.20
102	94½	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	95½	+¼	7.08	8.25
131½	116½	Treas 14% 1998-01	117½	+¼	11.93	8.43
140½	123½	Treas 15½% 1998	124½‡	+¼	12.45	8.30
125½	111½	Exch 12% 1998	112½	+¼	10.69	8.44
116½	103½	Treas 9½% 1999	103½	+¼	9.19	8.40

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
101¾	89¾	Treas 6% 1999	90½†	...	6.62	8.34
128¾	113½	Exch 12¼% 1999	113½†	+¼	10.76	8.51
121¾	105½	Treas 10½% 1999	107½	...	9.77	8.50
121¾	105½	Conv 10¼% 1999	106½	...	9.59	8.56
116½	101½	Conv 9% 2000	102½†	+¼	8.82	8.50
136½	118½	Treas 13% 2000	119½	+¼	10.89	8.68
106½	90½	Treas 7% 2001	91½	-¼	7.62	8.52
122½	104½	Treas 10% 2001	106½	-¼	9.40	8.67
123½	103½	Treas 9¾% 2002	105½	-¼	9.21	8.69
113½	94½	Treas 8% 2003	96½	-¼	8.31	8.60
127½	105½	Treas 10% 2003	108½†	-¼	9.25	8.68
129½	110½	Treas 11½% 2001-04	112½†	...	10.21	6.90
86½	71½	Fund 3½% 1999-04	72½	-¼	4.83	7.37
105	85½	Treas 6¾% 2004	88½	-¼	7.66	8.49
125½	103	Conv 9½% 2004	105½	-¼	8.99	8.63
125½	103½	Conv 9½% 2005	106½	-¼	8.95	8.59
149½	119½	Treas 12½% 2003-05	121½	-¼	10.26	8.95
111½	93½	Treas 8% 2002-06	95½	-¼	8.39	8.61
112½	91½	Treas 7¾% 2006	94½†	-¼	8.24	8.54
136½	113½	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	116½	-¼	10.12	8.96
119½	96½	Treas 8½% 2007	99½	-¼	8.52	8.82
151½	125½	Treas 13½% 2004-08	128½†	-¼	10.48	8.95
124½	101	Treas 9% 2008	103½	-¼	8.67	8.51

LONGS (over 15 years)

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
115½	93	Treas 8% 2009	95½†	-¼	8.36	8.50
126½	101½	Conv 9% 2011	104½	-¼	8.59	8.45
127½	101½	Treas 9% 2012	104½	-¼	8.57	8.44
93½	72½	Treas 5½% 2008-12	74½†	-¼	7.39	8.21
114½	91½	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	93½	-¼	8.27	8.38
117½	92½	Treas 8% 2013	96½†	-¼	8.33	8.40
159½	127½	Exch 12% 2013-17	131½	-¼	9.13	8.60
128½	99½	Treas 8¾% 2017	103½	-¼	8.44	8.37

UNDATED

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
54½	39½	War Ln 3½%	41½	...	8.41	...
37½	27½	Treas 2½%	29½†	-¼	8.61	...

INDEX-LINKED

1994 High	Low	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
203½	197½	Treas IL 2% 1996	199½†	+¼	2.51	3.79
113½	106½	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	107½	...	2.69	3.48
176½	163½	Treas IL 2½% 2001	165½†	-¼	3.27	3.69
173½	159½	Treas IL 2½% 2003	161½	-¼	3.38	3.72
118½	107½	Treas IL 4⅝% 2004	109½	-¼	3.38	3.70
184½	168½	Treas IL 2% 2006	168½	...	3.45	3.70
168½	149½	Treas IL 2½% 2009	153½	-¼	3.50	3.72
175½	154½	Treas IL 2½% 2011	158½	-¼	3.54	3.74
146½	128½	Treas IL 2½% 2013	130½	-¼	3.56	3.75
157½	134½	Treas IL 2½% 2016	139½	-¼	3.59	3.75
152½	128½	Treas IL 2½% 2020	133½	-¼	3.62	3.77
128½	106½	Treas IL 2½% 2024	111½	-¼	3.60	3.74
128½	105½	Treas IL 4⅛% 2030	110½	-¼	3.64	3.77

Construction firms in race to win toll roads prize

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BRITAIN'S biggest construction contractors and merchant banks are racing to form consortia capable of taking over the finance, construction and management of Britain's road programme.

An end-of-September deadline for bidding for the first round of four "shadow tolling" contracts, worth £400 million, has triggered a rush to form alliances. It amounts to the biggest upheaval in the contracting industry for decades.

Under the shadow tolling scheme, developers will receive fees from the Department of Transport in proportion to the amount of traffic on the roads they build and operate. The scheme is expected to pave the way for the progressive introduction of charges for using trunk roads.

The winners in the race will secure both their civil engineering businesses and stakes in a new growth industry. A raft of transport utilities and infrastructure finance companies — including railway rolling stock leasing companies, train operators and road groups — is likely to follow Eurotunnel, ABP, the ports operator, and BAA, the airports group, to the stock market by the end of the decade.

Those who miss the bandwagon are likely to be consigned, like Britain's smaller regional contractors, to the role of sub-contractors.

Eight likely consortia have been identified. Some of them include overseas partners with private infrastructure expertise.

Tarmac, based in Wolverhampton, yesterday announced the formation of UK Highways, a consortium that also includes Transroute, the biggest French toll road operator, John Laing and Welsh Water. Advisors are BZW, the banking and securities house, and Acer, a consultancy.

Amec and McAlpine are reported to have teamed up with Dragados, a Spanish contractor, and Sir Robert McAlpine has linked with Taylor Woodrow and Amey.

Mowlem, which is heavily involved in private-sector rail projects, has linked with Dumez GTM of France, with backing from Schroders. Wimpey is collaborating with Babtie, a firm of highway design consultants, and Morgan Grenfell, the German-owned merchant bank.

Balfour Beatty is believed to be in discussions with Bank of America, and Costain with NatWest Markets. Trafalgar House has yet to reveal its hand.

Since there are only four weeks before the deadline for pre-qualifying expires, construction groups, bankers and lawyers are working overtime in an effort to wrap up agreements and secure their funding options.

The first four schemes include: a £190 million link road between the M1 and the A1, bypassing Leeds; the widening of the A1 between Alconbury and Peterborough at a cost of £140 million; a £35 million bypass on the A419; and a £10 million contract to bypass Haltwhistle and manage the A69 from Carlisle to Newcastle.

Eleven further projects, worth a total of £1.58 billion, are expected to be put out to tender in 1995-96 if the pilot schemes show promise.

It is expected that tendering for the pilot projects will be completed in November. The winners are scheduled to be announced at the year end, in time for construction to start next summer.



SIMON WALKER

Gordon McPhie, RJB's finance director, left, and Richard Budge are carrying out due diligence investigations

RJB hangs fire on British Coal bid

BY RODNEY HOBSON

RJB Mining will delay until the last minute a decision on how many of the five regional coal companies to be sold out of British Coal it will bid for. Bids have to be submitted by the middle of next month.

Richard Budge, chief executive, said: "We are still carrying out due diligence investigations. Our active involvement in the bidding process for the privatisation of British Coal continues and we aim to take maximum advantage of the opportunities that this privatisation offers us."

However, he said this did not necessarily mean that RJB would bid for all, or even any, of the regions. He added: "We are already a major part of the coal mining. We will have 8-10 per cent of UK coal production in 1995 even if we buy nothing from British Coal."

RJB has been gaining experience of deep pit mining since 1990 and now produces more coal from pits than from opencast mines. Mr Budge said: "We do not underestimate the potential of the coal industry and intend to remain a key force in this market."

RJB increased pre-tax profits in the six months to June from £5.5 million to £6.2 million on turnover up from £37.7 million to £49 million. Earnings per share fell from 15p to 10.9p. The interim dividend rises from 5p to 5.2p.

RJB is the only company to have passed the pre-qualifying stage for all British Coal regions up for sale. Lord Chilver, chairman, said: "The first half-year can be seen as a period of investment in creating the new deep mine businesses and making significant strides towards the integration and reorganisation of acquired businesses prior to capitalising on the coal supply contracts and coal reserves acquired."

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HunterPrint discloses Canadian bid talks

HUNTERPRINT, the loss-making printing group, said it was in bid talks with Quebecor Printing Inc, of Canada, but gave warning that an offer might be at a discount to the current share price (Martin Barrow writes).

The group said: "A number of preconditions remain to be resolved by HunterPrint and Quebecor before any offer can be put to shareholders. Any such offer may be at a discount to the closing market price on Friday, August 26, the last dealing day prior to the press speculation." A further announcement will be made as soon as possible. HunterPrint shares closed on Friday at 9p and were unchanged yesterday, giving a £5.22 million market capitalisation.

Earlier this month HunterPrint gave warning that full-year results would be "very poor". Borrowings remained unmanageable — the legacy of an acquisitions spree in the 1980s — and in excess of shareholders' funds of £11.8 million. Banking facilities had been fully utilised. In the year to the end of September 1993 the company incurred losses of £3.16 million. Despite some improvement, the full recovery awaited by the company's bankers has not materialised.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

US investors buy into Vision Express

THREE American investment companies have bought a 36 per cent stake worth £30 million in Vision Express Group, the private optical superstore operator. E Dean Butler, the American chairman and founder of the chain, said the majority of the proceeds will be used to expand the network in Britain and enter new international markets. "We want to be the leading optical retailer in the UK within three or four years," he said. Mr Butler is set to earn about £1.94million from the deal.

GC Companies, Advent International and Bessmer Venture Partners, the three American investors, are keen to participate in the chain's success. Vision Express opened its first store in Britain in 1988 and has 65 branches with a further 13 stores overseas, including outlets in Latvia, Belgium and Russia. Mr Butler said he hoped to open up to nine stores in Britain this year, expanding at a rate of 15 to 20 outlets a year. The chain has about 6 per cent of Britain's £1 billion optical market, well behind Dollond & Aitchison, the largest player with a 12 per cent share. Mr Butler said the British market was becoming increasingly competitive. "The market is coming out of the world of a profession and becoming more like a retailing business," he said.

Compel flotation target

COMPEL Group, one of Britain's biggest computer consultancies, is set to raise between £10 million and £12 million in a stock market flotation, more than double the £4.5 million indicated when the group first announced its intention to seek a stock market listing. The listing details will be published on September 14. Compel specialises in providing networked personal computers for blue chip companies. Clients include Glaxo, Legal & General, the Post Office and the Woolwich Building Society. Société Générale Strauss Turnbull is the stockbroker for the issue.

Closures hit Bensons

THE closure of three factories in the Preston area contributed to increased losses of £1.7 million at Bensons Crisps. The crisp and snack maker, which transferred to a single site at Kirkham, Lancashire, was faced with higher trading losses and an increased £270,000 interest bill which meant taxable losses worsened from £386,000 in the six months to May 28. The chairman, Malcolm Jones, said: "Group turnover increased by 6.7 per cent, but the worsening trading conditions, reflecting the supermarket and discounter price wars, depressed selling prices in line with those of many other food manufacturers."

Macfarlane eyes growth

FURTHER acquisitions are being sought by Macfarlane, the Glasgow-based packaging group. Pre-tax profit for the six months to June was £7.1 million (£5.35 million) on turnover of £52.5 million (£46.3 million). Earnings per share rose from 4.74p to 6.14p, the dividend increased from 1.44p to 1.7p, and the shares added 7p to 255p. Lord Macfarlane, the chairman, said: "We are constantly looking at new investment opportunities, both organic and by acquisition, and several projects have been undertaken recently." The most recent acquisition, Centurion Packaging (Holdings) of Preston, was bought after half-year end.

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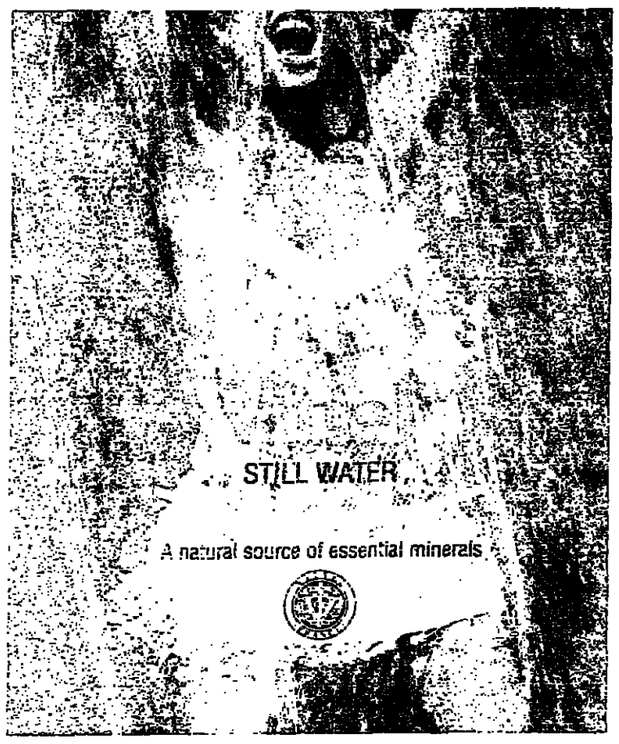
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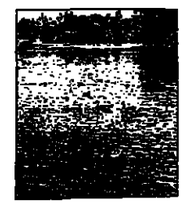




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Sorry to drag you out like this, Terence

One of the faces of the 1960s has become the surprise hit body of 1994. Terence Stamp tells **Ros Drinkwater** about life as a film transsexual



On the lookout for a fun project. Terence Stamp ended up in *The Adventures of Priscilla in the Desert*, "playing a drag queen in a lowbrow comedy"

An item in a recent film press release has the intriguing title "Instructions for the Preparation of Terence Stamp's Boobs." There follows a bizarre recipe involving six party balloons filled with water, secured by bulldog clips and left until soft and sagging. The item ends with an admonition to cast and crew that "no one is to hug Mr Stamp while he has his bra on".

The Adventures of Priscilla in the Desert charts the progress of three drag queens crossing the Australian outback in a lavender-painted bus named Priscilla. En route for Alice Springs they break down, dress up, perform in unlikely places, encounter hilarity, hostility, incomprehension and acceptance. Stamp takes the role of Bernadette, a recently bereaved transsexual.

Enjoying a well-earned rest at the Long Island retreat where Arthur Miller and Marilyn Monroe once honeymooned, Stamp acknowledges that he has taken the greatest gamble of his career. Striding along the Amagansett beach he looks fitter than most men half his age (55). The once-raven locks have turned to white, but he has lost none of his charisma. What tempted him to don a frock?

"I was on the lookout for a fun project," he says. "My agent gave me the script of *Priscilla* and said it might be fun. I was interested, until I realised that the fun involved playing a drag queen in a lowbrow comedy, working with an unknown director [Stephan Elliott, directing his second film] and spending 40 days in the wholly inhospitable location of the Australian desert."

Stamp is notoriously cautious in his choice of roles. In his time he has turned down scores of films, including *Camelot* and *Alfie*. His one brave leap into the dark, a stage version of *Dracula*, was disastrous — "The critics annihilated me." He was on the point of turning down *Priscilla* too when a friend, the actress Caroline Bliss, urged him to think again.



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> TERENCE STAMP

"Caroline put down my fear to what she describes as my limiting characteristic, the old desire to be perfect — rather not try than risk failure," he says. "I took a deep breath and six weeks later found myself in a town called Broken Hill sporting tangerine fishnets, high heels, a satin leotard, polyester lace gaiters and an aubergine wig with detachable pigtails in front of a crowd of surly, Schwarzenegger-lookalike miners pretending to be film extras. I was about to attempt a synchronised dance while simultaneously lip-synching 'Shake Your Groove Thing'. Let me tell you about fear, Caroline."

Stamp might do well to consult Bliss in future. So far, *Priscilla*'s plaudits include a rave review from *The New York Times* and prizes from the Cannes, San Francisco and Seattle film festivals.

After his 1961 screen debut in *Billy Budd* Stamp became one of the most bankable actors of his generation. Films such as *The Collector* and *Far From the Madding Crowd*, plus a well-publicised romance with supermodel Jean Shrimpton, kept him in the headlines. In 1968 he embarked on an eight-year spiritual odyssey which included a year in India as a guru's disciple. On his return to London he found that the movie moguls had stopped calling. In 1977 he emerged from relative obscurity to play a Kryptonian villain in *Superman* and, a few years later, in *Superman II*, but by 1983 his then agent Jimmy Fraser was urging him to accept a television thriller series, "just to show people that you're still alive".

There followed a series of supporting roles in major films. In 1985, while he was shooting *Legal Eagles* in New York, his mother died and the film's schedule did not permit him to attend her funeral in London. Stamp had long acknowledged Ethel Stamp as the prime influence in his life. In an attempt to exorcise his grief he turned to writing and the result was three highly praised, best-selling volumes of autobiography. With the publication last year of a novel Stamp seemed destined for a career as a writer, with acting taking second place.

Enter the lavender bus named Priscilla and the chance for Stamp to show his flair for comedy. He views the project more as a growth move than a career move. "I had reached the point when if I didn't start redefining myself all I had to look forward to was playing movies that Irons, Hopkins and Berkoff had passed on — if I was lucky."

In choosing the three drag artists Elliott was determined to cast against type and for the role of Bernadette he set out to find "the least likely person in the world". While his co-stars appear as their normal male selves when not in drag, Stamp plays the entire film as a woman. In the early stages of research he read *Conundrum*, Jan Morris's moving account of her own cross-gender experience. "The book gave me my first insights into the deeper aspects of the character," Stamp says. "My feeling was that although the film was essentially a modern musical comedy, the archetype I was about to attempt would be new to mainstream film. I wanted to get it right."

The transformation from heterosexual icon to attractive older woman was not entirely painless. Stamp says cemented-on false nails were the worst torture, "followed closely by the extraction, one by one, of nipple hairs, which in my case were impervious to wax.

"The nails did pay off though. They were a constant reminder to me to retain the feminine gesture pattern — you only knock a false nail once because it feels as though you're having it pulled from its bed by pliers.

"Women's apparel is everything to do with being uncomfortable. I think twice about requesting girlfriends to don fishnet tights and stiletto heels of late."

● The Adventures of Priscilla in the Desert *is released in Britain in October*

EDINBURGH FRINGE THEATRE

Blood, toil, tears, sweat – and laughter

Sometimes the bare bulbs clustered overhead wink gently in a romantic night sky. At other points, amid a deafening batter of pans and piping, the lights flare up angrily against the dark like a blitzkrieg. They send the small slum girl in her amusingly big wellies ducking and diving in acute fear, sheltered by her loving, sometimes frighteningly protective, father: a sort of vaudeville comic living through a personal tragedy, searching for his missing wife amid streams of anonymous refugees.

This could be the London of air raids and blackouts, or Belfast, or Bosnia. There are touches of Hiroshima and the Holocaust. These characters, gently clowning about between bombs, inhabit a circus ring that is an apocalyptic wasteland of countless abandoned shoes. Exploring growing up in a war zone, **She'll be Coming Round the Mountain** (Southside), an outstanding student-devised physical theatre piece emerging from Middlesex University, is a million miles from the anarchic extremism of the Tokyo Shop Boys and the Jim Rose Circus Sideshow.

Tenderly comic and poignant by turns, beautifully directed by John Wright (who made my Edinburgh in 1993 with *On the Verge of Exploding*), this drama about lost innocence and damage also braves adult territory: rape by a schoolboy-turned-soldier; military women who violate the corpses of enemy males in the spirit of playground dares.

She'll be Coming Round the Mountain combines the distressingly graphic with quiet slapstick, pretend games where a dab of Savlon can cure mortal injuries, and a storyline told in impressionistic glimpses and rooted in Big Top and music hall routines.

Emma Powell's arresting waif-like girl, trotting in circles over the bouncy terrain of shoes and singing "If you don't have a dream" is as shakily disturbing as it is sweetly comic. Jason Thorpe, her father, comes in a strong second, writhing in paternal anxiety like a spitting cat or entertaining his child with an endearingly rubbery dance. The female soldiers may be comparatively weak and the ending arrives without warning, but this is impressively fine work.

Meanwhile, Volcano Theatre Company, directed by choreographer Nigel Charnock, is at work again, fiercely chopping up classic texts and slamming them against the sweat and thrust of forthright physicality. *L.O.V.E.* shook up Shakespeare's Sonnets. *Manifesto* put the muscle back into Marx and Engels's Communist theories.

Now **How to Live**, their most successful work so far, tests fragments of Ibsen's dramas against the company's brand of dance. That fundamental house style, the cast launching themselves through the air and being snatched in quick rotation like kamikaze clowns in combat training, can seem repetitive after a few shows. I could do without the avant-garde games of musical chairs; the scripted stutters ("You don't, you don't, you don't understand me."); and the table-slapping between phrases.

However, this is a sharply punctuated piece alternating between stillness and frenetic-ism. In a deliberately unpretty *mise-en-scène* of boxy *faux-bois* furniture with a touch of the mausoleum, the cast jives on the table in what might be a mentally deranged drawing room or a modern office run riot.

Volcano fleshes out the sexual drive, the aggression and the angst locked in seemingly decorous lines. Amid passages from *The Master Builder*, the cast hurl themselves recklessly off chairs, as from some battlement, ecstatically in love or fulfilling a death wish. They throw themselves at one another, adopting a "carry me over the threshold" cum "babe in arms" cum "pietà" position. Half desperate, half playing about, the performances encapsulate the questionable sincerity of Ibsen's characters and of theatre itself.

The straight acting has its weak points. Richard Ryder's delivery is unconvinced. Still, Jane Arnfield makes an excellent little girl (one of the dramatist's off-stage interests) and Fern Smith is a tower of strength, lobbing men about and hamming up Ibsen's femmes fatales something wicked.

Volcano have wisely acquired a sense of humour. They send up both themselves and the melodrama of this so called naturalistic playwright, re-running tragic moments like an embarrassingly bad rehearsal. Formerly they have exuded an air of fancying themselves. Now they entertainingly tantalise the audience, confessing to fancying each other in inserts where we appear to catch them backstage.

Ryder makes a delightful fool of himself, his seductive neck-licking tango ending with him being spun hotly on the spot by Smith, his trousers round his ankles.

KATE BASSETT

RADIO REVIEW: Potter's prejudice rebuffed

The mixture is as before

Last week brought the first full television transmission of the late Dennis Potter's speech to the Edinburgh International Television Festival. Potter's invective against the broadcasting establishment made for compulsive listening, his wonderful use of the language obscuring the fact that some of his arguments were pure nonsense.

I was particularly struck by his dismissive reference to BBC Radio, which came in a section about his childhood in the Forest of Dean. This was a classic case of blue remembered hills seen through rose-tinted spectacles.

Potter swept aside the present content of BBC Radio by reciting the numbers under which that content is transmitted: One, Two, Three, Four and Five. By contrast he took us back to the good old days of the Light programme and the Home Service (although he chose to imply there was only one network) and said that the old radio was a magical experience. You never knew what was coming next: a play, a concert, a talk, whatever.

That argument finds considerable support among older radio listeners, including some of those who write to me. But the truth about BBC Radio today is the very opposite of what they, and Potter, claim.

We shall leave aside the more recent additions and consider only Radio 2 and Radio 4, which can fairly — and very roughly — be regarded as the equivalents of the old Light and Home services. Let us consider only last night's output and let us start at 4pm, when the modern equivalent of the boy Potter might come home from school.

Between 4.05pm and 9.30pm (the boy's bedtime), Radio 4 transmitted an arts programme, a short story, 90 minutes of current affairs, a drama serial, a radio soap, a programme about family life, half an hour of science, a personalised view of keeping fit and a programme for and about the disabled.

Radio 2 had a magazine programme, half an hour from the Edinburgh Festival, a Brian Hayes phone-in on current affairs and an hour on the life of Dinah Washington.

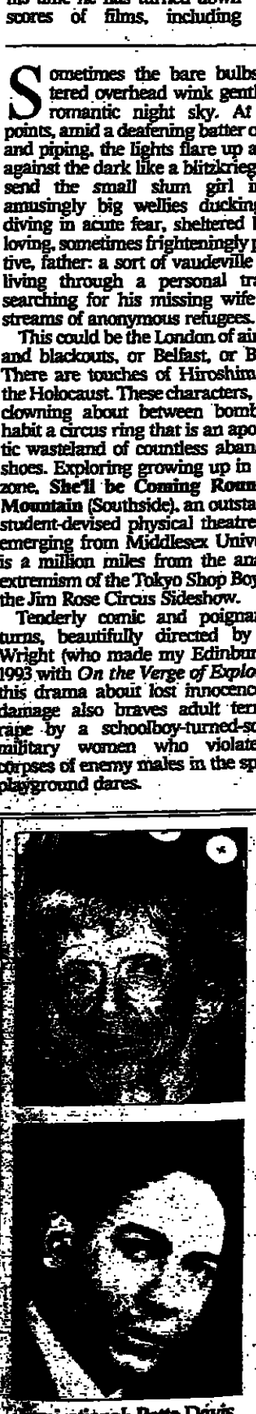
It can be said of this programming that it is somewhat middle-of-the-road and in places bland, but it cannot be said to lack variety. Indeed, there was even less radicalism on the radio in mine and Potter's boyhood and there is not a chance that a play taking the positions occupied by Potter would have got on the radio then.

I was greatly saddened when Potter died. This country's culture needed him, even if he suffered from being over-eulogised by those who should know better.

But listening to someone invoking a so-called golden age of radio is a bit like listening to Edward Heath attacking the modern Tory government. You need to remember that hindsight is not the same as wisdom, especially when it is informed by prejudice.

PETER BARNARD





Inspirational: Bette Davis and Jelly Roll Morton

NEW YORK THEATRE

Warts and all that jazz

Me and Jezebel
The Ballroom
Jelly Roll
47th Street Theater

HOW would you react if a renowned film actress, a rampantly egocentric symbol of old Hollywood, asked if you had a room to spare for the night and then decided to stay for a month, turning you into a guest in your own home?

When the American writer Elizabeth Fuller faced that dilemma — a variation on *The Man Who Came To Dinner* — she behaved as most mortals would: she lay down and let the leading lady walk all over her.

Fuller's brush with royalty occurred in 1985, when a friend visited her with none other than Bette Davis in tow. The next day, when Davis called to say that a New York hotel strike had left her with no place to stay, Fuller duly obliged. She later wrote a magazine article based on the incident, followed by a book, a one-woman touring show and now, in an inspired leap, *Me and Jezebel*, a sparkling two-hander in which she appears with the cult female impersonator Randy Allen. His performance is little short of miraculous.

It would have been easy for him to present us with nothing more than a shrewish, chain-smoking gargoyle, and there is certainly a touch of the grotesque in this bug-eyed and decrepit figure adorned with garish make-up, endlessly complaining about the mattress on her bed and telling unflattering stories about Joan Crawford.

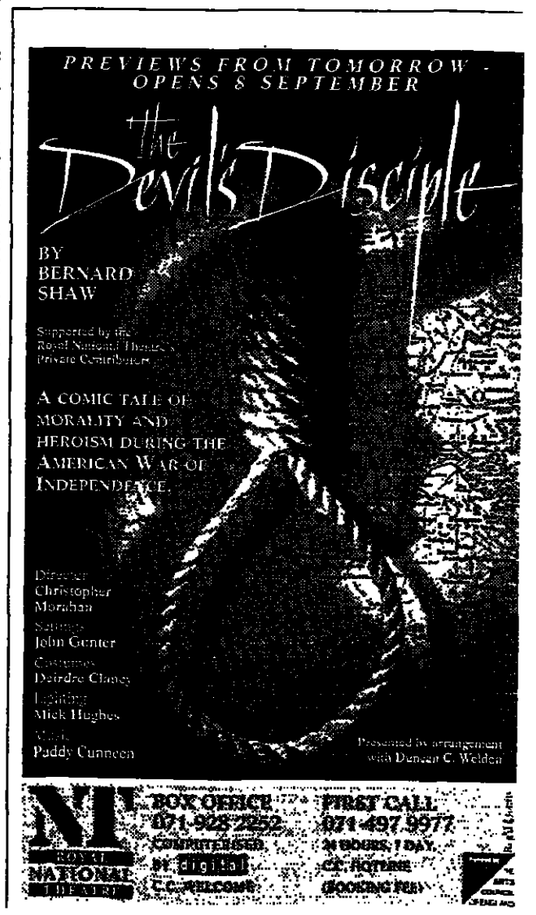
But the portrayal goes much deeper. By the end we see Davis for what she is, a desperately insecure old woman whose only real satisfaction comes from indulging in bouts of manic behaviour and from watching late-night reruns of her old films.

Fuller's slightly gauche performance has not won universal praise. True, a professional actress might well have made more of the part. But the very fact that she is playing herself — an ingenuous, touchy-feely New Age acolyte who believes that she can lead Davis to salvation — lends the evening both authenticity and a touch of the surreal. Plans are afoot for a well-deserved off-Broadway production.

VERNEL Bagneris's account of the life of jazz pioneer Jelly Roll Morton has already made that transition. Having already seen *Jelly Roll* twice in the past year in cabaret I half-feared that the material might have lost some of its freshness. Not so. Now about 25 minutes longer, the piece looks and sounds even more impressive.

The Norwegian ragtime specialist Morten Gunnar Larsen reproduces all the nuances of Morton's piano style, while Bagneris comes as close to capturing the man as anyone could hope, using a script drawn from Morton's famous Library of Congress interviews. You do not need to be a jazz fan to be moved, infuriated and mystified by this enigmatic genius.

CLIVE DAVIS



LONDON

BBC HENRY WOOD PROMS Hugh Wood gives a pre-prom talk at 6.15. Tonight's first features his Cello Concerto, which received its premiere at the 1969 Proms. Also on the programme are Strauss's *Don Juan*, *Les Eolides* by Franck and Dvorak's Symphony No 6 in D major. Conductor Fedor Glushchenko makes his Prom debut with the BBC Scottish SO, with whom he made his British debut in 1989. Tonight's cellist is Timothy Hugh (winner of two prizes at the 1990 Tchaikovsky Competition in Moscow). **Albert Hall**, Kensington Gore, SW7 (071-589 8212). Tonight, 7.30pm.

HENRY VIII, DIARY OF A SERIAL KILLER Direct from the Edinburgh Festival Fringe, the Natural Theatre Company brings to London its historical musical fantasy, both riotous and enjoyable. Directed by John Abulafia of the ENO with music by Steven Edis of the National Theatre. **Purcell Room**, South Bank Centre SE1 (071-928 8800). Tonight, 8.00pm.

EDINBURGH

THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA Tonight sees the final concert in the Festival's Beethoven symphony cycle conducted by Christoph von Dohnanyi, who performs Symphony No 1 in C and Symphony No 3 in E flat ("Eroica"). One of the world's handful of great orchestra-conductor partnerships." **Usher Hall**, Lothian Road, Edinburgh (031-225 5756). Tonight, 7.30pm.

BRAHMS LIEBESLIEDER WALZER Performed by a world-class quartet of singers: Soprano Barbara Bonney, Mezzo-soprano Anne Sofie von Otter, tenor Kurt Streit and baritone Olaf Baer. Also on the bill is Schumann's *Spanische Liebeslieder*. **Usher Hall**, tonight, 10.30pm.

THE HOUR WE KNEW NOTHING OF EACH OTHER The opening night of this beautiful and startling play without words by Peter Handke marks the UK directorial debut of Luc Bondy. It features over 400 characters brought to life by 33 actors. **Edinburgh Festival Theatre**, Nicolson Street, (031-225 5756). Tonight, 8.00pm.

L'ETOILE The opening night of the operatic tale of King Ouf and his court. This is the nearest opera gets to pantomime, inventive and enjoyable. The work by Emmanuel Chabrier is sung in English by Opera North. **King's Theatre**, Leven Street, (031-225 5756). Tonight, 7.15pm.

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Paul Haynes

ARMSTRONG'S LAST GOODNIGHT It is also the opening night of John Arden's play about the barbarous world of 16th-century Scotland. The story is taken from a Scottish ballad which tells the tale of John Armstrong of Gilnockie, a borders freebooter. The Royal Lyceum Theatre Company production is directed by William Gaskill. **Royal Lyceum Theatre**, Grindlay Street, (031-225 5756). Tonight, 7.00pm.

LONDON GALLERIES

Barbican Who's Looking at the Family? (071-638 4141). **British Museum** New European Applied Arts Galleries, Jewellery of the Classical World, Modern Japanese Prints, 1912-1989, Chinese Ceramics from the Meiyintang Collection, German Printmaking in the Age of Goethe (071-636 1555). **Courtauld**, French Impressionist and Post-Impressionist paintings (071-873 2526). **Design Museum**, Arne Jacobsen (071-403 6933). **National Gallery**, Friedrich to Hodler: A Romantic Tradition (071-389 1785). **National Portrait Gallery**: Edwardian Women Photographers (071-306 0055); Master Drawings from the NPG. **Royal Academy**, The Belgian Avant-Garde, 1880-1900 (071-439 7438). **Tate**, Turner's Holland, Rb Kitaj; William Blake; Sculptors' Drawings (071-887 8000). **V&A**, Pugin: A Gothic Passion, the Ironwork and Glass Galleries (071-938 8500). **Whitechapel**, Franz Kline (071-377 0107).

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ House full, returns only
▣ Some seats available
□ Seats at all prices

□ **LE CID** Corneille's drama of honour and revenge, finely staged by Jonathan Kent. Excellent playing by Duncan Bell and Susan Lynch. Ranjit Bolt wittily translates. **National** (Cottesloe), South Bank SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, 7.30pm.

▣ **THE COUNTRY WIFE** Max Stafford-Clark's stern vision of the harsh truths of Restoration immorality. Some laughs included. **Pit**, Barbican Centre EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm.

□ **THE CRYPTOGRAM** Lindsay Duncan and Eddie Izzard in Mamet's play about cryptic adult relationships: a short start becomes tantalising but it is really a radio play. **Ambassadors**, West Street, W1 (071-836 1171). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm.

▣ **DOG EAT DOG** Sketches, song and parody from the eight-man comedy troupe The Posse. **Theatre Royal Stratford East**, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 (081-534 0310). Tue-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. Until Saturday.

▣ **FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** Topol returns to his alter ego Tevye and Sara Kestelman plays Golde in the 30th anniversary revival. **Palladium**, Argyll Street, W1 (071-494 5020). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm; mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm.

□ **HAMLET** First time for this play at the Open Air. Tim Pigott-Smith directs Finman Lewis in the title role. **Open Air**, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431). Tonight, 8pm.

□ **IN THE HEART OF AMERICA** Powerful Naomi Wallace drama exposing the macho attitudes that glory in gaying pain in and out of war. **Bush**, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Mon-Sat, 8pm. Until Sept 10.

□ **JUGGLE AND HYDE** The Flying Karamazov Brothers defy probability with their truly astounding feats. They're funny, too.

Criterion, Piccadilly Circus, W1 (071-839 4488). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm. Until Saturday.

□ **LADY WINDERMERE'S FAN** Another extravagantly set-dominated Wilde from Philip Prowse. Fine acting from Francesca Annis's mother with a past but otherwise a frail evening. **Albery**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm.

□ **900 ONEONTA** David Beard's terrific, vivid, filthy-tongued Gothic Southern drama — hail for real, hail spool — earns a deserved transfer from fringe to prime house. The first of the new West End Producers' Alliance shows, aiming to bring quality work at affordable prices. **Old Vic**, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

□ **ST JOAN** Imogen Stubbs as the soldier-saint in a production full of mental passion, if you can overlook the scenic ado. **Strand**, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 2.30pm.

■ **THE SISTERS ROSENSWEIG** Maureen Lipman, Janet Suzman and Lynda Bellingham star in Wendy Wasserstein's Broadway hit. A tears 'n' laughter drama, distantly inspired by Chekhov. **Greenwich**, Crooms Hill, SE10 (081-858 7755). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Sat, 2.30pm. Until Sept 10.

□ **SWEET BIRD OF YOUTH** Clare Higgins plays the ageing film star in Tennessee Williams's steamy drama about hopes fading and futures destroyed. Richard Eyre's unmissable production. Designer: Anthony Ward. **National** (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Today, 2.15pm, 7.30pm.

□ **THE TEMPEST** Alec McCowen presides as Prospero and Simon Russell Beale's baleful Ariel marshalls the magic in Sam Mendes's striking production from last year's Stratford Barbican. **Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm.

▣ **THE WINSLOW BOY** Peter Barkworth, Simon Williams, Nynee Dawn Porter and Eve Matheson in Rattigan's ever-popular drama of a man's fight to prove his son's innocence when the Royal Naval College expels him for theft. **Globe**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5065). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm.

LONG RUNNERS

□ **Arcadia**, Haymarket (071-930 8800). □ **Blood Brothers**, Phoenix (071-867 1044). ▣ **Buddy**, Victoria Palace (071-834 1317). □ **The Canterbury Tales**, Garrick (071-494 5040). ▣ **Cats**, New London (071-405 0072). □ **Copacabana**, Prince of Wales (071-839 5972). □ **Crazy for You**, Prince Edward (071-734 8951). □ **Dead Funny**, Vaudeville (071-836 9987). ▣ **Don't Dress for Dinner**, Duchess (071-494 5070). ▣ **Five Guys Named Moe**, Lyric (071-494 5045). ▣ **Grease**, Dominion (071-416 6060). □ **An Inspector Calls**, Aldwych (071-836 6404). ▣ **Les Miserables**, Palace (071-434 0909). ▣ **Miss Saigon**, Theatre Royal (071-494 5400). □ **The Mousetrap**, St Martin's (071-836 1443). ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**, Her Majesty's (071-494 5400). □ **Rocky Horror Show**, Duke of York's (071-836 5122). □ **She Loves Me**, Savoy (071-836 8888). □ **Starlight Express**, Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665). □ **Sunset Boulevard**, Adelphi (071-344 0055). □ **Woman in Black**, Fortune (071-836 2238).

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NEW RELEASES

LE PARFUM D'YVONNE (18) Elegant but empty revere from French sensualist Patrice Leconte, with Hippolyte Girardot, Jean-Pierre Marielle and Sandra Majani. **Chelsea** (071-351 3742/3743). **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666). **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914096). **Renoir** (071-837 8402).

A SHADOW OF DOUBT (15) Engrossing French drama about child abuse and the havoc it wreaks, excellently directed by Aline Issermann, with Sandrine Bonnaire and Alain Bashung. **Curzon Phoenix** (071-240 9661).

◆ **WOLF** (15) Jack Nicholson's beast within finally comes out. Amusing intelligent werewolf movie, with Michelle Pfeiffer. Director: Mike Nichols. **Barbican** ▣ (071-638 8891). **Camden MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096). **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666). **Leicester Square** (0426 915683). **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914096). **Notting Hill Coronet** ▣ (071-727 6705). **Screen/Baker Street** (071-935 2772). **Screen/Green** (071-226 3520). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (071-792 3332).

CURRENT

BEVERLY HILLS COP III (15) Eddie Murphy's maverick cop returns in a middling, sanitised adventure. John Landis directs. **Empire** (0839 888911). **MGM Trocadero** ▣ (071-434 0031).

◆ **THE FLINTSTONES** (U) Hollow live-action treatment of the TV cartoon set in Stone Age suburbia, with John Goodman. Brian Levant directs. **Empire** (0839 888911). **MGMs: Fulham Rd** (071-370 2636). **Trocadero** ▣ (071-434 0031). **Plaza** (0800 888997). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (071-792 3332).

THE GETAWAY (18) Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger as thieves on the run. Pointless, tame remake of the 1972 thriller.

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

Roger Donaldson directs. **MGM Panton Street** (071-930 0631). **Warner** ▣ (071-437 4343).

◆ **GETTING EVEN WITH DAD** (PG) Macaulay Culkin reforms his wayward dad (Ted Danson). Botched family comedy, directed by Howard Deutch. **MGM Trocadero** ▣ (071-434 0031). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (071-792 3332). **Warner** ▣ (071-437 4343).

HIGHWAY PATROLMAN (15) The disintegrating life of a Mexican patrolman. Absorbing, disciplined B-movie yarn from Alex Cox, with Roberto Sosa. **Metro** (071-437 0757).

THE LAST SEDUCTION (18) Enjoyably amoral tale of sex, power and $700,000, with Linda Fiorentino as the femme fatale to end them all. **Curzons: Mayfair** (071-465 8865). **West End** (071-439 4805). **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666). **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914096).

◆ **THE MASK** (PG) Strange mask turns mild bank employee into a wisecracking demon. Inventive vehicle for rubber-faced Jim Carrey, filled with the anic spirit of 1940s cartoons. **MGMs: Baker Street** (071-935 9772). **Chelsea** (071-352 5096). **Haymarket** (071-839 1527). **Shaftesbury Ave** (071-836 6279). **Trocadero** ▣ (071-434 0031). **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666). **Phoenix** (081-883 2223). **Plaza** ▣ (0800 888997). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (071-792 3332). **Warner** ▣ (071-437 4343).

◆ **MAVERICK** (PG) Mel Gibson as the TV Western conman. Disappointing summer fun, with Jodie Foster and James Garner. Director: Richard Donner. **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636). **Trocadero** ▣ (071-434 0031). **Warner** ▣ (071-437 4343).

NECRONOMICON (18) Clumsy horror compendium inspired by H.P. Lovecraft's stories, with Bruce Payne and David Warner. **MGM Piccadilly** (071-437 3561).

PUBLIC ACCESS Charismatic stranger prises secrets from a sleepy small town. Thin but intriguing American independent film from new director Bryan J. Singer. **NFT** (071-928 3232).

◆ **SIRENS** (15) John Duigan's joyful, luscious romp, with Hugh Grant, Tara Fitzgerald and Elle MacPherson. **MGMs: Fulham Road** (071-370 2636). **Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148). **Odeon Haymarket** (0426 915353). **Screen/Hill** ▣ (071-435 3366). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (071-792 3332). **Warner** ▣ (071-437 4343).

◆ **SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS** (U) You are never too old to enjoy the world's first feature-length cartoon, in a sparkling restored print. **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096). **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666). **Swiss Cottage** (0426 914096). **West End** (0426 915574). **Phoenix** (081-883 2233). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (792 3332).

◆ **TRUE LIES** (15) Schwarzenegger saves the world from Middle East terrorists. But what about his marriage? Overblown fun with James Lee Curtis. **Empire** ▣ (0800 888911). **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772). **Fulham Road** (071-370 2636). **Trocadero** ▣ (071-434 0031). **UCI Whiteleys** ▣ (071-792 3332).

WILD TARGET (15) Featherweight French comedy with Jean Rochefort as a meticulous hitman unhinged by love. Director: Pierre Salvadori. **MGMs: Chelsea** (071-352 5096). **Swiss Centre** (071-439 4470). **Tottenham Court Rd** (071-636 6148).

Slam it in your verse

In New York, public poetry contests are rude, fast and funny. Clive Davis reports on the show that is about to reach Britain







New York poets with attitude: Edwin Torres (top), Mike Tyler (below left) and Willie Perdomo (below, right) of the Nuyorican Poets Café. Contests in front of ebullient audiences determine which poets go through

Our next poet quietly introduces himself as Elmer. Tall, haggard and intense, he suddenly lunges at the microphone stand and, bellowing at the top of his voice, recites a piece about trying to buy crack on the streets at six o'clock in the morning. Random violence, expletives, desperation: all the familiar ingredients (or clichés if you will) of the urban nightmare are here. And judging by Elmer's appearance, it is reasonably safe to assume that his tale is more than a shade autobiographical.

A young black woman, Carmen from Oakland, appears at the dais to deliver a "Father's Day Poem to America" ("Roses is red/Ghettos is dark..."). Then comes the turn of Byron of Detroit who nervously shuffles up from the bar and just as nervously slinks away again, too shy to read his work. If only the same were true of the man who subjects us to an interminable monologue about how to catch a calico bass.

So it goes at the Nuyorican Poets Café, a performance space in a poor, largely Hispanic enclave in the Lower East Side of New York, where Puerto Rican flags and pennants enliven the streets and apartment blocks. Hiding behind a nondescript, metallic grey facade on East Third Street, the café is in the vanguard of the New York poetry revival, providing a venue where writers of varying degrees of skill compete in gladiatorial contests known as slams.

Britain will have a taste of this hyperactive "in your face" art form this week, when five of the café's leading practitioners — Mike Tyler, Willie Perdomo, Dael Orlandersmith, Edwin Torres and the "queen of hip hop poetry" Tracie Morris — begin a national tour. No slam is uneventful, but Tyler's performances are more animated than most. Described as "the most dangerous poet in America," he has a habit of hurling himself headfirst into his audiences, and once contrived to break his arm during a reading. Not exactly the antics that a Philip Larkin or a Ted Hughes would indulge in.

Still, something of the spirit of the slam (which can be seen as a variation on the classical Greek tradition of verse competitions) has already filtered through to Britain. Only a few days ago the Sixties veteran Adrian Mitchell, now poetry editor at *New Statesman and Society*, issued a lighthearted challenge to Oxford's recently installed Professor of Poetry, James Fenton, to meet in a bout for an unofficial British championship.

Whether it can be defined as poetry or ranting, an abrasive brand of performance art or — at its most self-indulgent — merely an inexpensive form of public therapy, slamming at its best can make a compelling spectator sport. Wednesday night at the Nuyorican (the word refers to those of Puerto Rican descent born and raised in New York) is Open Room night, when anyone is free to register at the door and take to the stage. Three judges, chosen at random, award decimalised marks in a parody of ice dance, and the winners are given an opportunity to return on Friday to participate in a slam featuring teams of invited performers.

The Friday events, which are preceded by ritual bursts of high-volume disco music and dazzling strobe-lights, lead in turn to a knockout Grand Slam, the winners of which proceed to a place in national finals held each year. All contestants, however, have to be prepared to face ferocious heckling from an audience which is usually composed of an exuberant mixture of local residents, East Village bohemians as well as a self-conscious huddle of students. "Read the goddam poem!" is the cry that invariably comes from the direction of the bar whenever nervous performers make the mistake of trying to explain their verse before reciting it.

The conventions of the slam are generally agreed to have originated in Chicago about a decade ago. As for the café itself, its origins go back to 1972 when a group began holding informal readings and discussions in an apartment. Three years later they set up base in a former bar before moving to the current site in 1980. The café now functions as a theatre and concert venue, and also has its own monthly radio show. Several of the artists have gone on to appear on MTV's spoken-word shows, and some were doing their duty at Woodstock '94.

Poetry is thus back in fashion. Readings have sprung up across New York as a new generation — partly influenced by the swaggering conventions of rap — have attempted to recapture the vitality of the beat era. Not surprisingly, the upsurge has produced ample quantities of doggerel and fifth-rate agitprop. Much of the work of the café poets published in a recent anthology, entitled *Aloud*, simply curls up and dies on the page.

Nevertheless at Greenwich Village cafés such as Carpo's, home of an open evening on Mondays, it is possible to hear a good deal of thoughtful verse amid duds like "My Baby Left With My Libido". Whether or not the shock tactics of the Nuyorican crew prove to have much of a shelf life, there is life and energy in their work, which is more than can be said for many university English departments.

● The Nuyorican Café poets begin their tour at the ICA, The Mall, London, on Friday. Other performances take place at Reading, Manchester, Salisbury, Nottingham, Huddersfield and Southampton

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Green and pleasant plans

Can tranquillity and order be restored to London's noisy and fume-filled Royal Parks? **Marcus Binney** believes that a bold new initiative is already bringing benefits

For half a century, one god has reigned supreme in London's central Royal Parks. It is traffic. Hyde Park Corner now has all the dimensions, the noise and the pollution of a motorway interchange, dwarfing its elegant classical monuments. Park Lane is an American-style expressway, gobbling up a huge swath of the park and impossible to cross at street level.

In front of Buckingham Palace, visitors who come to view London's most famous spectacle, the Changing of the Guard, are penned in like cattle so that the Victoria Memorial can remain the fastest flowing roundabout in London, and the most dangerous. According to the police, there have been 60 injuries to pedestrians and cyclists in the last three years and many more go unreported.

At the same time Horse Guards Parade, forecourt to the finest Palladian building in London, has been commandeered as a Civil Service car park. And the roads in Hyde Park have served for years simply as free parking for shoppers in Knightsbridge and Oxford Street.

Suddenly all this is changing. The idea of returning the Royal Parks to their primary function — as parkland — seems, literally, to be gaining ground. Last week a two-hour parking limit was introduced in Hyde Park, aimed at freeing space for genuine park users. Westminster Council has just approved a simple scheme to pedestrianise the area between the Victoria Memorial and Buckingham Palace. It will use traffic lights, which already work successfully further along The Mall, to keep the traffic moving. If the cognoscenti can approve the bollards it will all be complete next spring.

The catalyst has been the Royal Parks Review Group led by Dame Jennifer Jenkins, former chairman of the National Trust. The group's key recommendation was the establishment of a Royal Parks Agency. "It was essential to get the day-to-day management of the parks into professional hands, away from civil servants who changed every two or three years," says Dame Jennifer.

The new agency has begun well, moving out of the dreaded Marsham Street towers belonging to the Department of the Environment into the middle of Hyde Park, refurbishing the attractive old Metropolitan police station as its headquarters. Its first annual report reveals a flurry of activity in all seven royal parks. Some 650,000 crocuses have been planted along Park Lane and a ton of daffodils beside Serpentine Road. A large spring bulb planting scheme is now underway beside The Mall, Horse Guards Road and Bayswater Road. The banks around the lake in St James's Park, denuded by wild fowl, have been given new earth and resown with stronger grasses. Major progress has been made with restoring Victorian avenue gardens in Regent's Park. The old Royal Observatory Garden in Greenwich Park has been relandscaped and at Pembroke Lodge in Richmond Park a new terrace walk has been completed.

David Welch, the chief executive, is reintroducing mounted police to the parks: "They can see further and be more easily spotted. We're also putting bobbies back on bikes.



Wild fowl: one of the perennial pleasures of St James's Park

People can talk to them more easily and they can reach places which cars can't."

He has introduced Shire horses in Richmond Park and hopes to use them in other parks. "People like them and they are not noisy or obtrusive like some of the large yellow contractors' vehicles the public have complained about."

He continues: "We are also greatly extending the entertainment programme, not just the traditional brass bands, but jazz and a whole range of trios and quintets in the restaurants and in the open air."

The agency's real test will be its ability to tackle major projects. The Jenkins shopping list in the central parks includes closing the relatively little-used North Carriage Drive along the top of Hyde Park and closing the road across the Serpentine on Sundays. Eventually it wants to sink the northern section into a cut-and-cover tunnel.

Peter Brooke, the former Heritage Secretary, had already responded to the call to save Speakers' Corner from a slow death due to traffic noise. The winning competition entry by Evan Hughes actually reclaims land taken from the park. Now there are traffic lights all the way round Marble Arch, the huge traffic islands in the centre are no longer needed.

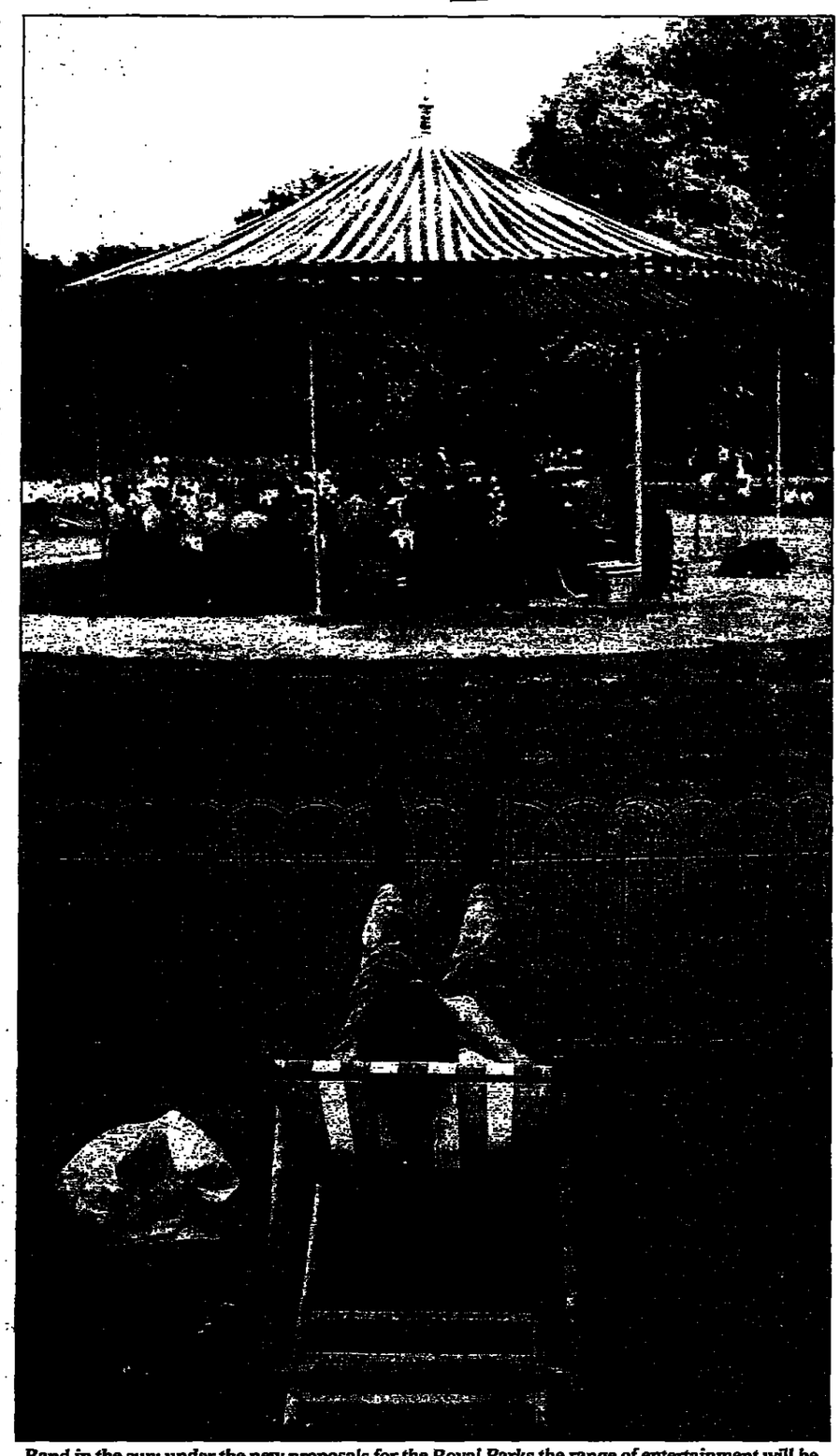
The problem is that all these schemes are dependent on fund-raising. On a smaller scale this is working well. Hambros is sponsoring the labelling of all the trees in the royal parks. Thames Water and LEB have paid for the restoration of the drinking fountains in Kensington Gardens. The Prince of Wales Royal Parks Tree Appeal has provided new hornbeam and lime avenues in Kensington Gardens and 200 new trees in Bushy Park. But we are still a long way from the $65 million raised by the Central Park Conservatory in New York. At present the National Lottery looks like the only potential source of large-scale funds.

The Jenkins group rightly came out firmly against new permanent buildings in the royal parks. An indoor equestrian centre, if needed, could be provided in the Regency Arsenal by Serpentine Bridge which has long been barely used.

There is a case for allowing experimental and festive architecture of a purely temporary kind. An example is the exotic kiosk selling entry tickets to Buckingham Palace. This is a simple portakabin designed by Michael and Patt Hopkins and as elegant as their new foyer at Glyndebourne. As the palace closes its doors it will disappear until the next season.

Why not a few more festive tents along The Mall? At present a tourist who asks a policeman where the nearest place selling food is will be told "you can buy a hamburger from a van a few hundred yards down Buckingham Palace Road". Why can't London's visitors be given the same standard as Wimbledon or Chelsea Flower Show, strawberries and cream and all? If it can't be provided in marquees along The Mall, what about the ground floors of Carlton House Terrace, much of which serves simply as car parking?

Many tourists already walk down The Mall to watch the foot guards wheeling into St James's Palace, and the Household Cavalry riding on to the Horse Guards. This idea was first floated more than 40 years ago and if the Crown Commissioners had acted then London would have a graceful counterpart to the cafés of the Champs Elysées. If Buckingham Palace can run a supremely successful shop, surely it can offer a little outdoor catering too.



Band in the sun: under the new proposals for the Royal Parks the range of entertainment will be expanded from the traditional brass and military bands to include jazz and chamber ensembles

PROMS 1994

Boys will be bores

Don Giovanni
Albert Hall/
Radio Three

"I THINK it's a bit of a disappointing opera," said the man on the bus, obviously driven to that conclusion by an over-long evening at the Albert Hall. It *was* long; and, of course, he should never have been given cause to think such a thing of *Don Giovanni*. I could see what he meant, though: this was the first time I had ever been bored by one of Glyndebourne's semi-stagings at the Proms.

Deborah Warner was responsible for this, as for the original staging. And I have a feeling that, in her heart of hearts, she may well agree with the man on the bus. Why else portray the Don and Leporello as mere ciphers, making the single point that here is the eternal ego-driven game-playing and juvenile tomfoolery of the male of the species, threatening to destroy the variously distraught female?

Not that, despite their consistently fine singing, we felt much sympathy for the women, either, so ineffectual was their endless, unchanging repertoire of posturing. Quite the biggest thrill of the night was to hear the sudden silence in the auditorium which greeted Our Lady of the Dinner Table, the plaster cast of the Madonna which had infamously outraged a section of the Glyndebourne audience, and which was just the sort of silly prank, no more, no less, that this Don (Gilles Cachemaille) and this Leporello (Sanford Sylvan) would play.

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The great value of these Glyndebourne imports is the opportunity they give for a sizeable audience to focus without distractions on the sheer musical excellence of the performance. This year there has been little justification for the widely aired comparison between quality of staging and quality of musicianship. The dichotomy is not as total as some would have us believe.

This is, indeed, one of the most consistently strong casts seen in a Glyndebourne *Don Giovanni* in recent years, with outstanding performances, here as in Sussex, from Hillevi Martinpelto as Donna Anna and John Mark Ainsley as Don Ottavio, while Amanda Roocroft as Elvira and Juliane Banse as Zerlina brought hidden depths and rare colours to their musical characterisations.

But when every moment of extended vocal figuration or melisma becomes a virtuoso obstacle race to the finishing point, there may just be something wrong with the pacing. Ivor Bolton conducted a sometimes ill-balanced Orchestra of the Age of the Enlightenment with the deft speed and tapering dynamics which are fast becoming something of a cliché, as well as serving to reduce rather than fully realise the drama within the score.

HILARY FINCH

FESTIVALS: International chamber music in Oslo and Stavanger; an accessible programme of new works at the Vale of Glamorgan

Bridge across the North Sea

The Nordic countries, generally speaking, are just about as interested in British music as we are in theirs. The Barbican's block-busting festival certainly left audiences wondering just how Tender *is* the North; but that was two years ago, and not many of us are clamouring for more Thomassen, Másson, Sandström or Kortekangas. Likewise, while every second Nordic composer seems to have studied at some point with Ferneyhough — and while Norwegian cellist Truls Mork has done for Elgar what Kennedy did for Vivaldi — mention Holt, Turnage or Weir, and the cold blue eyes glaze over.

So it is much to the credit of Arve Tellefsen, violinist and indefatigable artistic director of the **Oslo Chamber Music Festival**, that he focused this year on British music and musicians in a week of artfully constructed programmes. Take the Nash Ensemble's early evening concert, for instance, in the scarlet and gold splendour of Olav V's Hall in the Akershus Castle high above the harbour. Led by Michael Collins, Arthur Bliss's rarely performed Clarinet Quintet was revealed as the constantly unpredictable kaleidoscope of vivid idea and scoring which it is. It followed in the wake of Frank Bridge's Fantasy for Piano Quartet, and was the perfect foil for Arne Nordheim's playful and cunning *Partita on Five Pictures by Paul Klee*, played by Tellefsen himself.

The Hilliard Ensemble waved the flag for the madrigalists, and did their latest turn with saxophonist Jan Garbarek: there was Britten and Elgar aplenty; and Maxwell Davies's *Orkney Wedding*, inevitably, in the final concert. A pity, though, that there was little sign of what is newest and freshest in British writing. Oliver Knussen's sketchy little Three Pieces for Wind Quintet (The London Winds) and David Matthews's String Trio Op 48 (Nash Ensemble) were the nearest this festival's audience ever came to being disturbed.

But a window or two more had been opened; and with more British input to come in Oslo's Ultima festival of contemporary music in October, and with the promise of much Nordic networking among British chamber groups in the next two years, more and more air is being let in.

To move from Oslo to Stavanger is to shift from an immaculately planned, quality event to a happening. Now in its fourth year, the **Stavanger International Chamber Music Festival** has shot from being little more than an idea in the minds of artistic directors Truls Mork and oboist Gregor Zubicky, to ten hectic days of vibrant, often unpredictable musical activity, highly sought after by musicians and punters alike.

Like Edinburgh this year Stavanger has determined to make Beethoven shock and disturb once more, and has placed him alongside George Crumb, this year's composer-in-residence. With sometimes as many as four concerts a day, with extra works frequently added at the last moment, Stavanger can risk losing its grip on quality control, but never on the interest of its audience or the adrenalin of its players.

But then, thanks to the festival's sharp-eyed casting and programming, there were performances which one will remember for years to come. The chemical explosion caused by pitting the Carmina's cellist Stephan Coerner against pianist Artur Pizarro, for instances, in César Franck's Piano Quintet, was equalled by the surprise of the fine Grieg Trio tuning their minds and instruments to Crumb's *Dream Sequence* in the company of percussionist Hans Kristian Sorensen, and by revelatory, flaming performances of Scriabin by pianist Hakon Austbo in a late-night concert in Stavanger's dark Anglo-Norman Cathedral.

HILARY FINCH

ALLAN TITMUSS



Jan Garbarek: joined the Hilliard Ensemble in Oslo

Of minimal interest

Under John Metcalf's artistic directorship, the Vale of Glamorgan Festival has established itself as a celebration of living composers that has a strongly individual identity and that also exerts a genuinely popular appeal. Having learnt to trust the festival for its accessible programming, people come from all over Britain to immerse themselves in the sympathetic atmosphere of events held in such evocative venues as the 14th-century Bradenstoke Hall at St Donat's Castle.

The venues and "interactive discussions" aside, the attraction for many is clearly the type of music on offer. This year the central focus was the Australian composer Peter Sculthorpe, whose mesmeric, slowly evolving repetitions are allied to the natural sounds and landscapes of his native country. Around him were clustered a group of composers of more or less minimalist persuasion: Welshman Michael Parkin, Englishman Howard Skempton, fellow Australian Ross Edwards, and the inevitable Henryk Gorecki.

The latter's chart-topping *Symphony of Sorrowful Songs* was given its Welsh premiere during the week, and a number of new works were announced, notably from Sculthorpe. None of them lasted more than 12 minutes, however — some rather less — and certainly the "grand finale" on Saturday evening at Bradenstoke Hall had disappointingly little of substance.

The availability of multiple cellos for Arvo Pärt's introspective *Fratres* (in a version for eight of them) led to the use of similar forces for several pieces, including Sculthorpe's *Chorale*, a six-minute chordal meditation of no great pretensions, and Skempton's *Chimes*, an even shorter piece that makes unobjectionable use of the instruments' harmonics to suggest the sound of bells.

The latter two performances were world premieres. Slightly more substantial was that of a new version, for mezzo soprano, eight cellos and double bass, of Parkin's *Waulking*. Based on Hebridean Gaelic texts used by women when fulling newly made cloth by hand, *Waulking* at least offers a strong, characterful rhythmic framework of threads and counter threads against which the soloist is pitted. The players of Lontano, under Odaline de la Martinez, were appropriately vigorous and physical, while Rebecca de Pont Davies was the spirited mezzo.

Sculthorpe's *Cello Dreaming*, a tiny offering, played well by the cellist Jane Salmon, was less interesting than his *Song of Tailitnama*, which more characteristically drew on the sounds of the great outback. Ingrid Attrot was the admirable soprano soloist, and the percussionists included Richard Benjafield, who had previously given a virtuoso performance of Ross Edwards's *Marimba Dances*.

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Championship credentials tested

Graham angry as great expectations turn to frustration

BY PETER ROBINSON

ARSENAL began the season among the favourites to strip Manchester United of their FA Carling Premiership crown. They had a miserly defence, it was argued, were single-minded and relentlessly consistent. Buying Stefan Schwarz, from Benfica, to bring flair to an otherwise humdrum midfield simply reinforced the point.

They were ready to add the title to the assorted cups they have been collecting assiduously over the last two seasons. Barely two weeks have passed since those heady days of ambition and expectation, but those two weeks must seem like months at Arsenal.

Tonight, they face a true test of those championship credentials. Beaten, unluckily, at Leeds United a week ago and beaten again, nearly if not quite overwhelmed, at Liverpool on Sunday, they need a victory at Highbury to steady their fraying nerves. They will also have to show admirable — championship-winning — character, for Blackburn Rovers are no ordinary visitors. Quite rightly, they have title aspirations of their own.

"We were just not good enough," George Graham, the Arsenal manager, complained bitterly after Robbie Fowler plundered a four-minute hat-trick for Liverpool. He then threatened to make changes to sort out the problem and Ray Parlour and Steve Bould are likely to return at the expense of Kevin Campbell and Martin Keown.

Blackburn are almost carefree in comparison. They beat Arsenal in the race to sign Chris Sutton, the £5 million man, during the summer and saw their investment begin to pay off as he scored three times in their 4-0 defeat of Coventry at the weekend — not that the fee or his early success will be allowed to go to Sutton's head.

"We've started well in the new season and although it is inevitable the big signings like Chris Sutton get the headlines, I'm also delighted with people like Robbie Slater and Tony Gale," Kenny Dalglish, the Blackburn manager, said yesterday. "We lost at Arsenal last season but that is irrelevant now."

At Old Trafford, all eyes will be on Eric Cantona — they often are — as he completes a three-match suspension and returns for the game against Wimbledon. Quite who will make way for him is unclear, but either Brian McClair, Lee Sharpe or Ryan Giggs, who has been disappointing so far, would appear to be the most likely candidates. There was no indication from Alex Ferguson yesterday about the unlucky man. The United manager restricted himself to a taciturn: "Our approach has got to be exactly right because Wimbledon always make things difficult for you."

West Ham United, who have made a forlorn start to the season, yesterday bought Don Hutchison, 23, from Liverpool to try to kick-start some sort of revival. The midfield player completed his £1.5 million move in time to meet Newcastle United at Upton Park tonight. Harry Redknapp, the West Ham manager, said: "I'm sure Hutchison will do a great job for us but I still need to sign some more new players because we are short in a few areas."

Newcastle put five goals past Southampton on Saturday and are unlikely to make any changes to the team that has adapted surprisingly well to life without Peter Beardsley, still nursing his fractured cheekbone. Southampton meet Liverpool at The Dell and give Bruce Grobbelaar, the goalkeeper they signed from Anfield during the summer, an early opportunity to remind his former colleagues what they might be missing.

Manchester City's impressive form will be given a stringent test at Stamford Bridge against Chelsea, buoyed by their win at Leeds United over the weekend, while there should be plenty to please the purists at Hillsborough where Sheffield Wednesday meet Norwich City. Leicester City meet Queens Park Rangers at Filbert Street.

In the Endsleigh Insurance League, an announcement is expected this week about the identity of the new Bournemouth manager. Bobby Gould, formerly the manager at Coventry City, has joined the shortlist of candidates to succeed Tony Pulis.

Injury forces Phelan out of Ireland squad

A HAMSTRING injury has ruled Terry Phelan out of Ireland's visit to Latvia next Wednesday, the first match in their 1996 European championship qualifying campaign (Peter Ball writes). But there may be better news for Jack Charlton, the Ireland manager, from the other side of Manchester.

Although Roy Keane is not fit to play in Manchester United's FA Carling Premiership game against Wimbledon tonight, Alex Ferguson, the United manager, believes Keane could yet play for Ireland. "He won't make it on Wednesday, but I want him to play in Latvia if possible," Ferguson said yesterday.

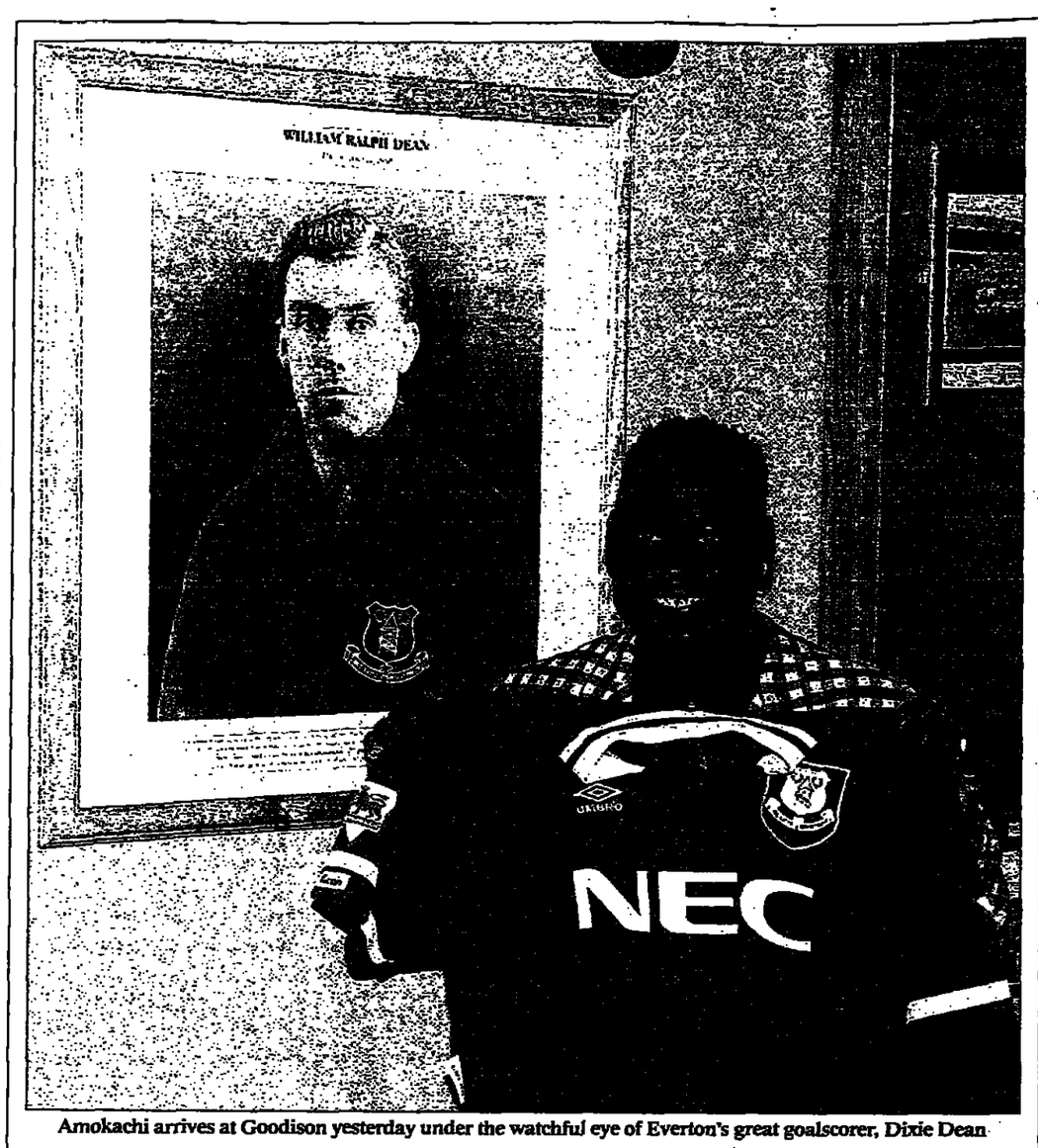
With Aberdeen's defeat by Skonto Riga in the Uefa Cup last Wednesday, Latvian football is suddenly commanding new respect, and the loss of Phelan is a blow to Charlton. "I'm very disappointed," Phelan said, "but I pulled the hamstring against West Ham [last Saturday] and played on when I shouldn't have."

Phelan has been told that it will be ten days before he can do any serious training. Keane's niggling thigh injury is also troubling, but Ferguson is anxious for the player to get some match practice in before United begin their European Cup Champions' League matches on September 14.

Ferguson is, however, happy to welcome back Eric Cantona tonight. "I've not been disappointed by our start, but we haven't hit our best form yet," Ferguson said. "We've been efficient rather than exciting. Hopefully, Eric will add an extra dimension. There's great expectations about his return."

Mal Donaghy, Norther Ireland's most capped outfield player, has retired from international football after 91 appearances for his country. He informed Bryan Hamilton, the Northern Irerland manager, of his decision before the squad for the European championship qualifying match against Portugal at Windsor Park, Belfast, was announced yesterday.

NORTHERN IRELAND SQUAD: T Wright (Nottingham Forest), A Fettis (Hull City), G Fleming (Barnsley), G Taggart (Barnsley), A McDonald (Queens Park Rangers), N Worthington (Leeds United), C Hill (Leicester City), D Patterson (Crystal Palace), K Gillespie (Manchester United), J Magilton (Southampton), S Lomas (Manchester City), S Morrow (Arsenal), M Hughes (Strasbourg), J Quinn (Reading), P Gray (Sunderland), G O'Boyle (St Johnstone), K Rowland (West Ham United)



Amokachi arrives at Goodison yesterday under the watchful eye of Everton's great goalscorer, Dixie Dean

Amokachi joins Everton for £3m

BY PETER BALL

EVERTON introduced Daniel Amokachi, their new £3 million signing from FC Bruges, to Merseyside yesterday and promised that he was only the first recruit in their rebuilding programme. Everton hope to have either Karl-Heinz Riedle or another £3 million signing to partner Amokachi against Blackburn on Saturday week.

Despite his two goals for Nigeria in the World Cup finals, Amokachi is relatively unknown in Britain. Signing him, however, proved to be quite a coup for Mike Walker, the Everton manager, and his chairman, Peter Johnson. With negotiations well under way, Amokachi scored two goals in a friendly against Atlético Madrid, making enough of an impression for the Spanish club to make a late offer. They were not the only ones, Juventus, Benfica, Genoa and Arsenal all making late inquiries.

All of which provoked the obvious question: why, with the cream of European football pursuing him, had he chosen England, and, especially, Everton?

"I had never thought about playing in England previously," Amokachi said disarmingly. "But with players like Klinsmann coming to the Premier League, this is where I want to be, and with so many World Cup players coming, this is definitely the right moment."

But why Everton? "They have an ambitious chairman and manager," Amokachi said, "and I knew Mike Walker from seeing Norwich in Europe last season."

He could hardly have chosen a harder task, coming to a club with great expectations but no recent form to support them. As the first black player to play for Everton since Cliff Marshall in the mid-Seventies, and at a club which, however undeservedly, had a reputation for racism, he will be under the microscope.

"I haven't signed a black footballer just to make a point," Walker said. "The pressure he must live with is not the pressure of being the first black player at Everton for nearly 20 years, but the pressure of trying to make this club great again."

Amokachi insisted: "Being black should be no added burden if you can deliver the goods. I simply want to be judged on my playing ability." With his powerful build, finishing ability and pace — he claims to run 100m in 10.1sec, which would make him an international class sprinter as well as footballer — Amokachi looks capable of coping.



Amokachi, No 14, is congratulated by his team-mates after scoring for Nigeria against Bulgaria in the World Cup

São Paulo fight for form

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

SÃO Paulo are aiming for a third successive title when they meet Velez Sarsfield, of Argentina, in the second leg of a finely balanced Libertadores Cup final today.

Velez's 1-0 lead from the first leg last week looks perhaps too slender an advantage to defend before a 90,000 crowd at the Brazilians' Morumbi stadium, where São Paulo have not been beaten in the South American club championship in the past three years.

However, with the São Paulo attack looking strangely inept in recent games and Velez likely to pack their defence, it could prove enough.

The Brazilians' form has been far from convincing, despite their reaching the final. They have played well below the standards set in the last two years, when they not only won but also delighted supporters with their style.

The former Torino striker, Müller, has been out of sorts, while his partner in attack, Euler, is criticised as having speed but nothing else.

In midfield, they are struggling to fill the gap left by the World Cup player, Leonardo, who has left for the J-League in Japan, while Cafu, another international, only made his return last week after a month's absence through injury.

Telé Santana, the coach, said the team has potential but has not yet been together for long enough to develop a good understanding.

"This team could be better than the one in 1992," he said. "At that time, we were more together, the players understood each other perfectly on the pitch and we still haven't reached that stage with this team."

Velez, who are not among the traditional powers of Argentine football, have reached the final with a game based on tough marking but without strong-arm tactics.

The team, coached by the former Argentina forward, Carlos Bianchi, who spent several years with Reims in the French league, has two regular internationals — the Argentina midfield player, José Basualdo, and the Paraguay goalkeeper, José Luis Chilavert.

Baseball in turmoil as pay dispute deadlock continues

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

THERE is no end in sight to the pay dispute between Major League Baseball players in North America and the men who own the clubs for which they play. Richard Ravitch, the chief negotiator for the club owners, said the cancellation of the World Series in October had now become a real possibility.

"I think the owners want to do everything humanly possible to save the post-season," he told reporters, "but they also want to save baseball for the future, and that is a very, very high priority."

The strike, which began on August 12, forced the cancellation of nine more games on Monday, raising the total number of lost games to 232. No new bargaining sessions are planned. "So far as I know, there isn't anything going on," Donald Fehr, the leader of the players' union, said. "They know we're willing to get together, if there's a purpose."

With 10 per cent of the season already cancelled, federal mediators said that they will meet separately with both players and owners today. Fehr, convinced that the owners have a preset timetable, said that the union was considering persuading its members to return to the field for the remainder of the regular season in order to collect the rest of their salaries. The strike would then restart during the post-season. Players are paid their entire salaries during the regular season.

Ravitch said that the players' belief that the owners will abandon their salary cap proposal was proving to be a stumbling block. Although Jerry Reinsdorf, owner of the Chicago White Sox, has said it is possible the strike could extend into 1996, Ravitch said he found it hard to believe it would continue into next season. Fehr, however, remained adamant that the players' action would continue "as long as it takes" for the owners to abandon their salary cap proposal.

Ravitch's $750,000-a-year contract expires at the end of the year, but he has said that he intends to continue in pursuit of a settlement into next year. "I'm not prepared to stay indefinitely, but I can't believe that I will abandon the problem," he said.

Disputes between owners and players appear to be spreading into other areas of American sport. A similar deadlock may shut down National Hockey League (NHL) training camps next week.

Yesterday, the *Dallas Morning News* quoted an unidentified source as saying that Gary Bettman, the commissioner, will order a league-wide lockout from next Monday. Most clubs are due to start their training camps this weekend.

Once again, players' salaries are causing the problems. Club owners are seeking to tie salaries to team revenues, while the players hope to have them set by the open market.

Mike Gartner, the president of the NHL Players Association, said: "A strike or lockout is a distinct possibility. I hope neither one of them happens, but they are possibilities when both sides cannot come to an agreement." The players staged the first strike in NHL history, for ten days, two seasons ago.

LATE RESULTS

Monday night

FA CARLING PREMIERSHIP: Coventry 0 Aston Villa 1.
GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Kidderminster 3 Welling 0.
BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Atherstone 2 Cheltenham 4; Gorby Town 1 Cambridge City 2; Gresley Rovers 3 Halesowen 2; Hednesford 2 VS Rugby 0. Worcester 1 Buxton 0. Southern division: Ashford Town 4 Erith and Belvedere 0; Baldock 2 Westfdstone 1; Braintree 1 Margate 0; Fisher 85 0 Witney 0; Havant 3 Clevedon 2; Waterlooville 1 Bashley 0; Weston-super-Mare 1 Fareham 1; Yate 0 Salisbury 1.
NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Barrow 0 Witton 1, Buxton 1 Hyde 2; Emley 3 Gainsborough 2; Horwich 6 Chorley 0. First division: Blyth Spartans 3 Alfreton 3, Colwyn Bay 0 Warrington 3, Curzon Ashton 0 Goole 0; Eastwood 2 Worksop 2, Harrogate 0 Farsley Celtic 3; Lancaster 2 Gretna 0; Atherton LR 1 Congleton 1; Bamber Bridge 1 Netherfield 2; GI Harwood 1 Radcliffe Borough 2.
CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Bacup Borough 0 Bradford Park Avenue 2; Chadderton 0 Prescot 1, Clitheroe 3 Rossendale Utd 1, Darwen 3 Blackpool Rovers 6; Holker Old Boys 3 Penrith 1; Kidsgrove Athletic 1 Nantwich 2 Postponed: Bootle v St Helens Town.
MIDLAND FOOTBALL ALLIANCE: Bolehall Swifts 0 Barwell 3; Halesowen Harr 1 Shirrall Town 2; Knypersley Vic 3 Shepshed D 1; Stapenhill 0 Paget Rangers 2; Stratford 2 Boldmere St M 2, Willenhall 2 Rushall O 1.
FEDERATION BREWERY NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Billingham Synthonia 3 Eppleton CW 1; Dunston FB 2 Shildon 2; Durham City 7 Northallerton 2; Ferryhill Athletic 2 Chester-le-Street 0, Guisborough 2 Peterlee 2; Seaham Red Star 1 Badlington Terriers 1; Tow Law 2 Consett 2. Postponed: RTM Newcastle v Prudhoe; Whitby v West Auckland.
JOHN SMITH'S CENTRAL MIDLANDS LEAGUE: Premier division: Clipstone Welfare 0 Nuthall 4, Holbrook Miners Welfare 1 Micklover RBL 1; Mexborough Athletic 1 Kilnhurst Athletic 2; Newhall Utd 2 Derby C (ex) 0; Radford 1 Case Sports 3, Shardlow St James 0 Blackwell MW 0; Thorne Coll 2 Ackam Welfare 2.
HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division: Bradley 0 Bicester 3; Carterton 4 Highworth 0; Cirencester 2 Fairford 2, North Leigh 1 Moreton Supermarine 0 Almondsbury 2. Postponed: Pegasus Juniors v Cinderford.
FA CHALLENGE CUP: Preliminary round replays: Stourbridge 0 Sandwell Borough 2; Brierley Hill 1 Armitage 3; RTM Newcastle 4 Stockton 2 (aet).

FOR THE RECORD

BOWLS

WORTHING: Sanatogen EBA national championships: Fours: First round: Keswick Fitz Park bt Orsett 20-15, Cleethorpes bt Cowes Medina 21-14, IBM Cosham bt Droitwich Spa 16-16; Cheltenham bt Hereford 38-6, Eynesbury bt Colne Vale 20-18, Donyatt bt Bramcksham Park 25-15, Finchley bt Summerhill 17-16, East Preston bt Weston Bassett 21-17, Hotwell Works bt West Wimbledon 18-12, Worksop Cricket and Sports bt Kersley Vale 22-8, Seacliff Caistorians bt Queens Works, Bedford 21-17, Wymondham Dell (R Thacker) bt City of Ely 19-17, Thompson Park bt Gunsborough King George V 19-18 (after extra end), Trent bt Royal Household 20-13, Workington bt Victory Park Stroud 21-19, Kingsthorpe bt Stockney 17-15, Greenhill bt Summertown 20-17, Taming Priory bt Croydon 19-10, Alfreley bt Brampton Institute 22-5, Holgate bt Chester Road Kidderminster 24-22, Stony Stratford bt Mansfield Colliery 25-16; Westerhope bt Stratford-on-Avon 21-18, Wymondham Dell (R Hanyon) bt Saltash 21-10, Roebuck bt Eastnor 24-21, Clevedon bt Bolton 21-10; Cambridge and County bt Leicester 20-13, ACD Dunstable bt Trowbridge Westbourne 25-16, Felixstowe and Suffolk bt Henley Country Club 21-20, Lesholme bt Ventnor 17-15 (after extra end); Plymouth North Down bt Century 32-7.

CYCLING

ROAD RACE: Tour of the Hopfields (BCF Premier Calendar, Ashford, Kent, 105mi): 1, M Stephens (N Wirral Velo), 3hr 57min 15sec, 2 J Hunt (CC Grey), at 56sec; 3, C Davidson (Le-Tramcend), same time.
TIME-TRIALS: Essex RCC (Chelmsford, 25mi): 1 P Man (34 Nomads), 53 05; 2, A Stapleton (Leo RC), 53 13, 3, P Neary (Leo RC), 54 42. Team: Leo RC, 2 43-12. Wrekinsport CC (Shropshire, 25mi): 1 I Ball (Hinckley CRC), 56 17, 2, J Stolley (Wrekinsport CC), 56 38, 3, T Cameron (St Helens CRC), 59 02. Team: N Shropshire Wheelers, 3 03 51. Old Portians CC (Holmwood, Surrey, 25m): 1, P Dandiwardt (Norwood Paragon), 56min 18sec; 2, K Reed (Clarence Wheelers), 56.57, 3, S Kennedy (Bec CC), 57.46. Team: Old Portians, 3.00.24. Cotswold Fudruckers (Toddington Gloucestershire, 25m): 1, P Bonfield (Welwyn Wheelers), 56.35, 2, J Morley (Bic RT), 57.50, 3, A Scott (Gloucester City CC), 57.57. Barnstaple Imperial Wheelers (Chulmleigh, Devon, two-up 25m): 1, I Wallace (NC Camelot) and D Barnes (Team Zoyland), 56 30, 2, D Bentley (CC Grey) and G Sandy (Team Zoyland), 57 34, 3, A Griffiths and D Kempe (Bristol Sth CC), 57.59.

GOLF

SONY WORLD RANKINGS: 1, N Price (Zim) 21.09pts; 2, G Norman (Aus) 20.58; 3, N Faldo (GB) 17.05; 4, B Langer (Ger) 15.79; 5, F Couples (US) 14.78; 6, J-M Olazacal (Sp) 14.12; 7, E Els (SA) 12.40; 8, C Montgomerie (GB) 11.85; 9, D Frost (SA) 11.22; 10, C Pavin (US) 10.84.

ROWING

LONDON, Ontario: Commonwealth regatta (medal winners and home countries positions in finals): First day: Men: Coxless fours: 1, Canada 6min 6sec; 2, Australia 6.09; 3, England 6.10; 5, N Ireland 6.36. Coxed fours: 1, Australia 6.15; 2, England 6.16; 3, New Zealand 6.18; 4, N Ireland 6.24; 6, Scotland 6.36. Coxless pairs: 1, Canada 6.36; 2, Australia 6.42; 3, New Zealand 6.44 (no home country entry). Single scull (no times taken in this event): 1, Canada; 2, Australia; 3, England; 4 N Ireland, 5, Wales, 6, Scotland. Lightweight eights (no times taken in this event): 1, England; 2, Australia; 3, Canada; 4, Scotland. Quad sculls: 1, Australia 6.00; 2, England 6.05; 3, Canada 6.07. Double sculls: 1, New Zealand 6.41; 2, Canada 6.45; 3, Australia 6.47; 5, Scotland 7.02; 6 Wales 7.14. Women: Coxless fours: 1, Canada 6.45; 2, Australia 6.47; 3, Scotland 6.53. Coxless pair: 1, Australia 7.26; 2, England 7.31; 3, Canada 7.34; 4, Scotland 7.49. Single scull: 1, Canada 7.36; 2, Australia 7.42; 3, Scotland 8.06; 5, England 8.22. Lightweight, double scull: 1 Canada 7.10; 2, Australia 7.19; 3, England 7.31; 4, Wales 7.41; 6 Scotland 7.46.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Reading 55 Arena Essex 41. Second division: Swindon 67 Exeter 23. Knock-out cup: Semi-final replay, second leg: King's Lynn 46 Eastbourne 51 (78-113 on agg). Dudley Wood trophy: Second leg: Wolverhampton 47 Cradley Heath 49 (86-1-6 on agg).

SQUASH

HONG KONG: Men's tournament: First round, S Baker (Aus) bt Z-U Khan (Pak) 16-17, 4-15, 15-8, 15-7, 15-10; P Marshall (Eng) bt D Jenson (Aus) 15-7, 15-7, 11-15, 15-9; D Meddings (Eng) bt A Shum (HK) 15-10, 15-11, 15-10; C Wagnick (SA) bt R Martin (Aus) 13-15, 10-15, 15-11, 15-9, 15-12; S Parke (Eng) bt M Zaman Gul (Pak) 15-12, 15-5, 15-5; J Khan (Pak) bt S Meads (Eng) 15-11, 15-9, 15-11; J Nicolle (Eng) bt T Gomer (Eng) 11-15, 17-14, 5-15, 15-10, 15-11, S Elgouru (Fin) bt B Davis (Aus) 9-15, 9-15, 17-16, 15-7, 15-8; S Parke (Eng) bt M Zaman Gul (Pak) 15-12, 15-5, 15-5; J Khan (Pak) bt S Meads (Eng) 15-11, 15-9, 15-11; J Nicolle (Eng) bt T Gomer (Eng) 11-15, 17-14, 5-15, 15-10, 15-11, S Elgouru (Fin) bt B Davis (Aus) 9-15, 9-15, 17-16, 15-7, 15-8.

TENNIS

SURBITON: LTA satellite circuit: Men: First round (GB unless stated): A Foster bt M Wyatt 6-1, 6-2, J Fox bt M Perronnen (Swe) 6-3, 6-1, N Gould bt G Adekolean (Nigeria) 6-1, 6-2, M Lee bt G Giles 7-5, 4-6, 6-4; B Feney (Aus) bt J Davidson 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, G Marx (Fr) bt T Holdebrand (Swe) 6-3, 7-6, H Kot (Ger) bt D Draper 3-6, 6-2, 2-0 ret; H Carel (Ger) bt T Spinks 6-4, 7-5; C Beecher bt J Delgado 6-7, 7-6, 7-5. Women: First round (GB unless stated): A Buggins bt A Hearn 3-6, 6-4, 6-2; G Devarcelli (Peru) bt A Svensson (Swe) 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; C Barabanschikova (Belo) bt J Carabiol (Sp) 6-1, 5-2, S Jentsch (Ger) bt Z Medic 6-3, 6-1; E Bond bt K Kurth (US) 6-1, 6-4, S Tye bt J Soder 7-5, 6-2, F Vicara (Hun) bt L Jansson (Fin) 6-0, 6-4.

YACHTING

NORTH BERWICK: National Europe championships: Final standings: 1, J Singleton (Lymington SC); 2, A Lucas (RNSA and Stokes Bay SC); 3, A Dowling (Clyde Cruising Club).
BURNHAM: Yachtfire week: Race 3: Winners: Class I: Independent Bear (K C Hobday); Class II: Destiny of Mersea (R Gazzard); Class III: Nemesis (S Adams); Sigma 33: Gwili (F Gooderham); Contessa 32: Scintilla II (J and M Mellardi); Etchells: Fiona VI (M Geaves); Dragon: Hat Trick (M Hoios and A Allen); Class V: Dos Mesculito (I Longson); Classic Yachts: Stiletto (C Petrie); Sonata: BO Two (P Issari); Class VII: Natasha II (D Barker); Class VIII: Pearson of Burnham (J Churchill); Flying Fifteen: Boat Route (P Tod and D Naylor); Squib: Vivacious (P Taylor); RCOD: Coriander (C Edwards and H Davies); RBOD: Simonata (J Camps); Sandhopper: Sandy (C Lambert); Estuary OD: Upbeat (M Lagergren); Multi crew dinghy handicap A: Bedraedres (A Mudd); Single crew dinghy handicap A: Barkwaterser (K Butler); Multi crew dinghy handicap B: Blowaway (T Pedersen); Laser II: Sip Sailing Away (M Maskell); Laser: Widget (A Snell).

Chinese times pose puzzle

BY CRAIG LORD

ELEVEN Chinese women are the fastest entrants in eight of the 13 individual events at the seventh swimming world championships, but it was one of their male team-mates who was causing the bigger stir in Rome last night.

Eight months ago, Wang Yiwu was not listed among the world's top 150 breaststroke swimmers. But a preview of the entry list revealed that Wang, not Nick Gillingham, of Britain, is apparently the fastest in the world at 200 metres breaststroke with a time. 2min 12.31sec, that makes him the sixth fastest man of all time. Gillingham's 2min 12.54sec, the time in which he became Commonwealth champion last week, ranks him second.

The young pretender's entry, however, is something of a Chinese puzzle. Wang, who turned 19 ten days ago, swam 2min 15.31sec to become national champion and record-holder in May, a performance that represented a monumental improvement, given that the 150th best swim of 1993 was 2min 21.78sec and the Chinese national record was 2min 17.54sec last September.

Official entry forms, shown to *The Times* yesterday, incorrectly list every Chinese time as having been accomplished on January 20, 1993, and nobody could say when Wang, one of only three Chinese male swimmers in Rome, might have swum his princely time. Fina, the international governing body, accepted the Chinese documents knowing that they were wrongly dated.

The Chinese were not available for comment, but the puzzle may be solved this morning, when Fina ratifies the entry list for the championships, which start on Thursday. The swimming events start next Monday.

Meanwhile, China has left four places unfilled in Rome and three Olympic champions at home on the grounds that it wishes "to concentrate on the Asian Games", in Hiroshima, in October, when it will send a full team. Yong Zhuang, Yang Wenyi and Li Lin were all gold medal-winners in Barcelona. Li, who broke the oldest surviving world record from the East German era to become Olympic champion in the 200 metres medley, will retire after Hiroshima.

China can afford to let her go. It has at least four women in the top 20 in the world in every women's event, and has two of the world's fastest three in six events. In Rome, the stars of its impressive show are Le Jinyi and Dai Guohong, who between them won five individual titles and set seven world records at the world short-course championships last year.

Olympic ideal threatened by greed and deceit



DAVID MILLER
Sports Commentary

The Olympic sports world, gathered here in Paris to celebrate the centenary of Pierre de Coubertin's foundation of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), is in a mood of mutual celebration. It dangerously overlooks the fact that sport has never been faced with greater threat from drug abuse, commercial manipulation and public scepticism.

Jean-Claude Killy, the triple Alpine gold medal-winner, yesterday called for all-out war by the IOC international federations and national Olympic committees (NOCs) on drug cheats in an impassioned address to the centenary congress. The heroes of yesteryear see the tapestry of 100 years, of which they are a part, disintegrating before their eyes under the onslaught of greed from all sides. In another, equally relevant appeal, Harald Schmid, the former European record-holder for 400 metres hurdles, now retired, said that if the agents and managers avidly commercialising willing competitors are to be resisted, the competitors must be drawn into the administration of sport by the federations, if they wish to retain control of established international events.

Professional golf is the prime example of a sport properly run on dignified lines by the involvement of the players.

Peter Montgomery, the former Australia swimmer and a member of the IOC athletes commission, is adamant that NOCs not instituting effective random testing must be barred from participation in the Olympic Games. That, need it be said, could controversially include such emerging sporting nations as China, should there be insufficient evidence of domestic testing between now and 1996.

The IOC has to have the nerve to grasp such far-fetched discipline if public credibility in the Olympic festival is to be sustained. This Congress has cost nearly £11 million in bringing together more than 1,000 delegates from the three arms of the Olympic movement. Such extravagance is untenable and intolerable if Olympic sport does not re-establish its authority over abuses that arise, in part, from its own encouragement and commercialisation.

Sport is in the process, I fear, of being destroyed by its own success. The accelerating revelations of positive drug tests during, and around, the staging of the European athletics championships in Finland and the Commonwealth Games in Canada — in several sports — indicates not only an increased efficiency in testing, but also the prevalence of abuse, unofficially acknowledged by most people close to events.

The most sickening incident for the IOC is the revelation of the use of stanozolol by Horace Dove-Edwin, the Sierra Leone sprinter and Commonwealth silver medal-winner in the 100 metres, who won an IOC scholarship to the training centre in Georgia, south of Atlanta.

The effect of this disillusionment is multiple. The La-Grange school, intended to assist impecunious Third World competitors, is administered by residential sponsors. Dove-Edwin not only kicked the IOC in the teeth — not to mention his own country — but also the traditional goodwill that is the basis of support throughout the United States for the perceived Olympic ethic. Anita DeFrantz, a member of the IOC executive board, said: "It is particularly disheartening, though the IOC cannot be be blamed for the fault of one athlete."

It is ironic that the congress, taking place in the mammoth concrete jungle of the La Defense suburb of Paris — similar to, but less elegant than, the Canary Wharf redevelopment on the Isle of Dogs in London — is looked down upon by the skyscraper European headquarters of IBM, which last year entered into an estimated £140 million, six-year sponsorship up to the 2000 Games in Sydney.

For how long will the multi-national sponsors, whose vested-interest backing helps pay for the Olympic Games, for the new museum in Lausanne, for the millions being poured into the Solidarity Fund assisting sport in the developing countries, continue to wish to be associated with a festival in which at least four sports are seen to be poisoned by cheats?

The British Olympic Association (BOA), like all national governing bodies, is busy preparing its financial programme to raise the voluntary subscriptions that send competitors to Atlanta. Its prospects must be damaged by the incriminating evidence of the past few weeks involving British competitors. And for how long will governments, including Westminster, be prepared to subsidise the sporting arena? No government will want to fund an Olympic winner who earns not prestige but monumental dishonour.

Craig Reedie, the chairman of the BOA, is involved in damage-limitation on all fronts, assuring every interested supporter of the British effort that no competitor who is tested positive, at any time, "will subsequently be considered for Olympic selection".

Ken Read, a former Canada skier and another member of the athletes commission, said in his address on Olympic ethics that "athletes need to be full partners".

There are thousands of honorable, worthy competitors, as Sally Gunnell attempted to stress in her interview last week after winning a Commonwealth gold medal, who long to free sport of its current evils. Including competitors in the wheels of administration is one step towards achieving that aim.

League is ready to shrink to survive

By Christopher Irvine

STAGNATE or head for a super league? After nearly 100 years of inertia, rugby league is set to jettison its dead wood through closure and amalgamation of some clubs and attempt to progress by way of an elite division as early as its centenary next season.

The 32 first and second division clubs, who were presented with a stark picture of the game's present state at a special meeting in Wigan yesterday, will probably be asked to vote for some of their own deaths. With combined losses running in excess of £3 million, the question put was whether they could afford not to.

It took an independent marketing survey, costing an estimated £100,000, to tell the Rugby Football League (RFL) what it really knew all along — that the game's structure requires a radical overhaul. What it has provided is the impetus to finally address the vexed issue.



Lindsay: realist

The report identified far too many clubs chasing too little revenue in too small an area of the country. Mergers of neighbouring clubs, such as Bramley and Hunsler, who share a ground, Dewsbury and Batley, and Swinton and Salford, might be inevitable now. Natural wastage could account for more.

Maurice Lindsay, the RFL chief executive, has advocated contraction as a means of expansion since taking office two years ago. A leaner, financially fitter league, with appropriate marketing, could achieve that. "We're having no more receiverships, no more clubs going into administration, we're sick of it," he said.

With questions against the viability of several clubs (one second division club recorded an income of £254,000 and £346,000 in payment of wages alone), the historic fabric of the club structure is on the verge of unravelling. Not everybody agrees with Lindsay, far from it, but his hard-nosed realism is difficult to ignore given the game's impoverished state.

"Do we always have to stick with tradition?" he implored of the parochialist lobby opposed to him. The problem is, having got rid of some clubs, would their followers necessarily switch allegiances to those sides that remain? Unlike football, rugby league is hardly awash in television and sponsors' money to make a superleague a quick financial success.

It would be foolhardy, too, to play down the sentiment attached to clubs in small communities. The average combined crowd figure of 50,000 is too small to risk serious alienation. However, having stalled for so long, Lindsay said the time to stop "chasing rainbows" and move forward was appropriate as the centenary neared.

Depressingly, the findings of the Framing the Future report are not unlike those contained in two others in the past 20 years. Unlike them, this one will not be shelved and its conclusions about an elite league, or international competition, development outside traditional areas and set business and financial criteria for clubs all find favour with Lindsay, whose power to get them adopted should not be underestimated.

Having got its act together on the pitch, rugby league must now do the same off it: "The game is so good now that its a bit like having found the cure for the common cold," one club director said. "We've just got to learn to sell it."

☐ Twelve hours after arriving from Australia, Scott Mahon will be expected to make his debut for Salford at Widnes tonight. The 24-year-old Parramatta full back is at the club on a short-term contract until February. Mark Lee, the hooker, is omitted for a second game, and has requested a transfer.

Widnes, who have lost their opening two games, should be strengthened by the return of Paul Hulme and Andy Collier after injury.

TONY WHITE



Concentration on the green is matched among spectators during the Sanatogen English Bowling Association fours championship at Worthing yesterday. One of the best performances of the day came from Tony Allcock, who had little rest after returning from the Commonwealth Games in Canada before skipping his Cheltenham rink into the last 16. With Andy Wills, Les Gillett and Simon Jones, he overwhelmed Hereford 38-6 and then had an impressive 24-6 win over IBM Cosham. Bowls results, page 34

Scotland rue Armstrong injury

By Alan Lorimer and David Hands

GARY Armstrong, the Scotland and Jed-Forest scrum half, will be out of rugby for up to a year after injuring his knee in training.

Armstrong, Scotland's top scrum half and arguably the key player in the national side, was examined yesterday in Edinburgh by a knee specialist after sustaining the injury last Thursday. The examination revealed a gruesome picture with torn medial ligaments, torn anterior ligaments and a torn cartilege. So extensive is the damage to Armstrong's knee that he must rest for six weeks to allow the bruising to subside before he can have surgery.

Yesterday, Jim Telfer, Scotland's director of rugby, said: "It's like a death in the family. I just feel so sorry for Gary himself. It's very sad. I hope it will not signal an end to his career. Maybe it's wrong to invest so much in one player, but when Gary returned to the Scotland side last season for the England game he made such a difference."

Armstrong suffered a similar injury in 1992 a week before the start of the five nations' championship. Then Scotland were able to call upon Andy Nicol, the Dundee High School scrum half; however, Nicol is now recovering from a similiar injury, picked up last May in the final of the Alloa Cup. The Scots must therefore choose between Bryan Redpath and Derrick Patterson.

Players from nine countries compose the Barbarians squad that, on Saturday, will help Bath celebrate the opening of their new stand and, three days later, celebrate 50 years since the Liberation of Paris by meeting their French counterparts at the refurbished Stade Charlety in Paris. At a time when clubs in Britain are intent on their league preparations, it has been a work akin to genius to assemble a representative party that also takes account of the countries who shared in the D-Day landings and the campaign that led, in August 1944, to the end of German occupation of the French capital.

Six of the squad took part in the Barbarians' summer tour to Zimbabwe, among them Neil Back, the Leicester flanker who has been recalled to England's World Cup training squad. Joining Back in the forwards is Chris Tregaskis, the Wellington lock who did himself few favours (in English eyes) when involved in a stamping incident playing for a New Zealand XV against England B two years ago.

Graeme Bachop, who returned as New Zealand's scrum half during the series against South Africa, is to take up a post with the Japanese club, Sanix, during October. New Zealand have been desperate to halt the flow of talented players to well-paid jobs in Japan and they have wrung the concession that Bachop will be available for the World Cup next year. He will miss Canterbury's tour to Britain in November.

BARBARIANS SQUAD: Backs: M Dods (Gala and Scotland), A Joubert (Natal and South Africa), I Hunter (Northampton and England), D Manley (Pontypridd), D Hopley (Wasps), N Beal (Northampton), G Shiel (Melrose and Scotland), P Hull (Bristol and England), D Pears (Harlequins and England), C Stephens (Llanelli and Wales), S Bates (Wasps and England), K Bracken (Bristol and England), M Dawson (Northampton) Forwards: P Clohessy (Young Munster and Ireland), C Lippert (OMBAC and USA), C Clark (Bath), R Cockerill (Leicester), G Dawe (Bath and England), J Eales (Queensland and Australia), M Poole (Leicester), C Tregaskis (Wellington), A Charron (Ottawa Irish and Canada), R Wainwright (West Hartlepool and Scotland), N Back (Leicester and England)

London eight strike gold

By Mike Rosewell

LONDON RC's lightweight eight won gold for England on the first day of the Commonwealth Regatta in London, Ontario, on Monday. The crew, tutored by Robin Williams, the newly appointed Cambridge coach, took the fancied Australians by surprise with a burst at 450 metres, which produced a length's advantage. The Australians, already selected for the world championships, fought back but England held a three-quarter length lead at the line.

The opening day's racing was delayed for two hours because of a crosswind, and the London crew, winners of the last race, received their medals in darkness.

England also won three silver medals and three bronze medals and Scotland took two bronze, no mean performance because all the leading British performers, apart from the women's lightweight four who were due to race on Tuesday in Ontario, are absent at altitude training, Canada, Australia and New Zealand have their best rowers in attendance but were given some surprises by the English.

The Nottingham County coxed four, winners at Henley and also racing in the English eight on Tuesday, gained a silver and were closing fast on Australia in the run-in, while Bill Mason's coxless four from Imperial College, also winners at Henley, just failed to take a silver from Australia in a crowd-pleasing finish.

England's lightweight quad took a silver ahead of Canada's leading crew and life began to look better for Tish Reid, Britain's 1992 Olympic sculler who has battled with a back injury for two years, when a silver medal was hung around her neck after her efforts in the women's coxless pairs with her new partner, Kate Grose.

Britain's men's Olympic sculler, Wade Hall-Craggs, found himself in elite company in the sculls final. The Canadian world champion, Derek Porter, and leading Australian, Jason Day, filled the top places but Hall-Craggs beat New Zealand's best to achieve bronze.

Lucy Hart and Mary Stevens, both from Nottingham County, completed England's haul with a bronze in the lightweight double sculls and Scotland's two bronze medals came for their women's four, and from Fiona Freckleton, Britain's first female world medal-winner in 1991, in the Commonwealth sculls.

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FA Carling Premiership
Arsenal v Blackburn (7.45)
Chelsea v Manchester City (7.45)
Leicester v QPR (7.45)
Manchester Utd v Wimbledon (8.0)
Sheffield Wednesday v Norwich (7.45)
Southampton v Liverpool
West Ham v Newcastle (7.45)

Endsleigh Insurance League
First division
Derby v Middlesbrough (7.45)
Swindon v West Brom (7.45)

Second division
Brighton v York (7.45)
Bristol Rovers v Blackpool (8.0)

Scottish Coca-Cola Cup
Third round
Dundee v Celtic
Hamilton v Dundee Utd
Hearts v St Johnstone
Motherwell v Airdrie
Raith v Kilmarnock
Rangers v Falkirk (7.45)

FA CUP: Preliminary round replay: Sudbury Wanderers v Brimsdown Rovers (7.45)

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Chesham v Wokingham; Harrow v Bishop's Stortford, Molesey v Sutton United.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Boston United v Matlock.

PONTINS CENTRAL LEAGUE: Second division: Barnsley v Bradford (7.0), Hull v Port Vale (7.0).

AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Tottenham v Portsmouth; Charlton v Luton (7.0); Norwich v Arsenal; Oxford Utd v Wimbledon; Watford v Swindon (2.0) League Cup: Birmingham v Cheltenham (7.45); Hereford v Bath (7.45); Plymouth v Yeovil (7.45); Swansea v Cardiff (2.0); Torquay v Bournemouth.

ULSTER CUP: Quarter-finals: Bangor v Newry; Portadown v Linfield.

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Cork City v Bohemians (6.0); Shamrock Rovers v St Patrick's Ath (6.0); Shelbourne v Cobh Ramblers (7.45); Sligo Rovers v Derry City

FAI NATIONAL LEAGUE: Shield Competition: Bray Wanderers v St James Gate; Drogheda Utd v Longford Town.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Atherton LR v Salford City.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Frome v Calne.

JEWSON WESSEX LEAGUE: Downton v Bemerton Heath Harlequins

JOHN SMITH'S CENTRAL MIDLANDS LEAGUE: Premier division: Kilmarsh Athletic v Bwster.

JEWSON FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Premier division: Chatteris v Fakenham (7.45); Comard Utd v Hadleigh Utd, Soham Town Rangers v Wisbech (7.45).

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Hallam v Pontefract Collieries.

UNIJET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Crowborough Athletic v Three Bridges

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance county championship
110, second day of four, 110 overs minimum
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Sussex
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Leicestershire
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Worcestershire
WORKSOP: Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan
TAUNTON: Somerset v Northamptonshire
EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Hampshire
SHEFFIELD: Yorkshire v Derbyshire

Tesco International
110, first day of three
SCARBOROUGH: President's XI v South Africans

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP (final day of three): Northern, Crosby: Lancashire v Somerset. Leicester: Leicestershire v Middlesex. (second day of three). Derby: Derbyshire v Northamptonshire Sunderland CC: Durham v Worcestershire. Pontymister: Glamorgan v Essex. Cheltenham CC: Gloucestershire v Sussex: Portsmouth: Hampshire v Warwickshire Elland: Yorkshire v Surrey.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP (final day of two). Warrington: Cheshire v Berkshire. Dales, Leominster: Herefordshire v Wiltshire

RUGBY LEAGUE

Stones Bitter Championship
First division
Widnes v Salford

OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: Sanatogen EBA national championships (Worthing).

SPEEDWAY: British League (7.30): First division: Poole v Wolverhampton. Second division: Long Eaton v Swindon, Glasgow v Newcastle

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Unbeaten Jackson clears final hurdle to share golden prize


Jackson: brilliant run

FROM DAVID POWELL
ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT
IN BERLIN

COLIN Jackson and Mike Powell each won ten gold bars, worth £81,000, here yesterday when both athletes maintained their unbeaten records in the so-called "golden four" series. Jackson has not lost a 110 metres hurdles race since the corresponding grand prix meeting last year.

The golden four meetings of Oslo, Zurich, Brussels and Berlin combine to offer a bonus incentive of 20 gold bars on top of the regular grand prix prize-money. The bars are shared between the competitors who win their individual events at all four venues in a season.

In the inaugural year, last year, five athletes shared the bars but, coming into last night, only Jackson and Powell, the world long jump champion from the United States, had won at Oslo, Zurich and Brussels.

Thus it boiled down to a dramatic head-to-head contest and neither man joked with such a huge pay-day there for the taking. Powell took his first-round jump while Jackson was warming up for the hurdles. The Welshman paid no attention to the American's leap, concentrating exclusively on getting his warm-up right. Had he been watching, he would have seen a no jump from Powell.

Jackson, who has won Commonwealth and European titles this season, executed his run brilliantly under pressure from Mark Crear. The American ran a personal best 13.07sec, while Jackson produced one of his finest performances of the season to win in 13.02sec.

The Welshman has now won 34 races, indoors and out, including heats, since his defeat here last year by Jack Pierce, of the United States, and Mark McKoy, of Austria. Last night, McKoy was third in 13.29sec and Pierce eighth in 13.73sec.

In theory, Powell faced the harder task, but it proved not to be the case in practice. Kareem Streete-Thompson, of the United States, has jumped farther than Powell this summer. But he was way off form last night, registering five no jumps.

Powell, having no jumped in the first round, gradually built up his distance through his next three efforts, jumping 7.76 metres, 7.99 and, finally, a winning 8.20 metres. Stanislav Tarasenko, of Ukraine, was second with 7.90 metres and Dion Bentley, of the United States, third with the same distance.

Jackson said that maintaining his unbeaten record for the season was more important to him than the money. "I came to concentrate on the race," he said. "Gold was not that important. Victory is the best thing that can happen to an athlete."

Linford Christie suffered his fourth defeat in 14 races at 100 metres this season, and his second in succession since winning the Commonwealth Games title in Victoria last week. However, having won the European and Commonwealth titles, and beaten the Americans in the most important sprint of the year, at Zurich, losing here hardly mattered.

Not that Christie was sluggish. Proof that he was here to give value for his appearance fee came 90 minutes before the main event, when he opted to run in the B race.

Christie feels better prepared to run quickly after a warm-up race and Dennis Mitchell, the Goodwill Games champion from the United States, decided to do the same.

Christie won the B event in 10.03sec, Mitchell following in 10.04. When it came to the final, Mitchell was the quickest out of the blocks, but Jon Drummond, an American who beat Christie in Rieti on Sunday, had the best pick-up.

At 60 metres it looked as though Christie, the world and Olympic champion, would perform his usual trick of pulling away in the last 40 metres, but he did not have the necessary acceleration on this occasion. Mitchell held on in a tight finish to win in 10.00sec, with Drummond second in 10.01 and Christie third in 10.02.

Dame Marea Hartman dies

DAME Marea Hartman, one of the leading administrators in British athletics, died in London on Monday night after a long illness. She was 74 and had been involved in the sport for most of her life.

Dame Marea, who was made a Dame in the New Year's Honours List, was secretary of the Women's Amateur Athletic Association for 43 years and manager of the British women's team at seven Olympic Games. She was president of the England AAA, and treasurer of the Central Council of Physical Recreation, which represents the national governing bodies of sport.

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Becker's exit increases personality problems

FROM STUART JONES, TENNIS CORRESPONDENT
IN NEW YORK

ACCORDING to the popular adage, modern tennis is in dire need of characters. The argument may be based on a spurious premise, but the US Open, a tawdry event run almost entirely for the benefit of television, depends on them to fill the small screen from morning until night.

It could not, therefore, have started in less auspicious manner than with the first-round defeats of Boris Becker and Goran Ivanisevic. To lose one of the established names so early on was regrettable enough. To lose two was sufficient to provoke apoplexy among the organisers.

The powers that be then compounded the situation by attempting to defend themselves against the accusation that the schedule is designed for their principal benefactor, television. In a convoluted and rambling statement, they failed miserably.

Ivanisevic, the second seed and the runner-up at Wimbledon earlier in the summmer, was first to go on Monday evening. In the early hours of yesterday morning, Becker, the seventh seed and former champion, followed him out.

Ivanisevic is appealing because of his wildly unpredictable nature. His appraisal is also invariably amusing. Asked whether he had been affected by the aching hip that caused him to withdraw from a warm-up tournament last week, he laconically replied: "It may have been a brain injury."

Becker stands out from an otherwise largely anonymous crowd because of his overt emotions. For more than an hour, his bearded face wore a permanent scowl. He recognised that he was dropping deeper and deeper into a crisis against Richey Reneberg, a 28-year-old American ranked 48th in the world.

Becker had been aware that he might struggle, whoever his opponent in the draw might be, as soon as he came here last week to inspect the conditions. "When I played with the soft and heavy balls on a surface which is extremely slow this year, I knew I was in trouble," he said.

He has not reached the final of a grand slam championship for three years, but Becker's recent results had indicated that he might be rediscovering prime form. His two tournament victories, though, were rendered meaningless. "It is almost like I didn't need to play on hard courts to prepare for this," he moaned. "You always have to hit a couple of shots more than normal to finish the point."

On grass, the surface on which Becker excels, the game is comparatively explosive. Reneberg, a member of the United States' Davis Cup team, is better suited to the more considered style. Yet Becker, unlike Ivanisevic, never resigns easily. After conceding the first two sets, he adjusted and took the next two. The fifth, unlike the other three grand slam events, is decide here on a tie-break, another example of the concessions made for the sake of television.

Reneberg, at the end of the best set he believes he has ever played, won it, but he missed five match points before going through 6-1, 6-4, 4-6, 1-6, 7-6. "I never felt I was in control", he admitted afterwards, "but there is no way that I can play better than I did in that fifth set."

Becker, once he had reflected on his first defeat by Reneberg, offered his thoughts on who might emerge from the pack as a potential Open champion. Andre Agassi, who yielded a mere five games, had taken his eye, and so had Michael Chang, the sixth seed, who conceded only eight.

Nobody promises to benefit more from the premature departures of Becker and Ivanisevic than Todd Martin. The ninth seed and a Wimbledon semi-finalist, his path to the last four has been cleared of any celebrated figures. Even his best friends, though, would not loudly claim that he is a character.

Lori McNeil turned the women's tournament at Wimbledon upside down when she knocked out the defending champion, Steffi Graf. Yesterday she discovered for herself how it feels to be leave unexpectedly early. The 13th seed, she was knocked out in straight sets by the delightfully named Anna Smashnova.

Graf, anxiously facing the threat of a third successive defeat in a grand slam event, swept through her opening match against Anne Mall in only 45 minutes for the loss of three games. Nevertheless, the top seed is still suffering from back trouble and has to report daily to a chiropractor.

"Maybe in the middle of last week I wasn't sure I could play," Graf said. "But I started practising on Friday, and it's been great."

Joining her in the second round was Kimiko Date, the fifth seed from Japan. She was a 6-0, 6-2 winner over her compatriot, Rika Hiraki. Also through was Barbara Ritter, of Germany, who beat Manon Bollegraf, of Holland, 6-2 6-1.

GARY HERSHORN


Reneberg on his way to a five-set, first-round victory over Becker in the US Open at Flushing Meadow yesterday


A slow surface left a scowling Becker struggling

RESULTS FROM FLUSHING MEADOW

MEN Singles: First round: M Zoecke (Ger) bt G Ivanisevic (Cro) 6-2, 7-5, 3-6, 7-5, A Agassi (US) bt R Eriksson (Swe) 6-3, 6-2, 6-0; W Ferreira (SA) bt W McGuire (US) 7-5, 6-2, 6-2, B Karbacher (Ger) bt L Paes (India) 6-4, 6-4, 6-2; M Rios (Chile) bt J Palmer (US) 6-2, 7-6, 6-2, H Dreekman (Ger) bt J Svensson (Swe) 6-4, 6-4, 6-2, J Grabb (US) bt M Larsson (Swe) 6-7, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3, 6-3; R Weiss (US) bt G Doyle (Aus) 4-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3, E Ferreira (SA) bt A Boetsch (Fr)7-6, 6-4, 6-4; M Goellner (Ger) bt B Steven (NZ) 7-6, 6-4, 3-6, 6-1, R Agenor (Haiti) bt P Goldstein (US) 6-4, 6-3, 6-4, M Rusli (Ven) bt J Bales (GB) 6-7, 7-6, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4; M Chang (US) bt A Chesnokov (Russ) 6-4, 6-2, 6-2, T Carbonell (Sp) bt A Antonitzch (Austria) 1-6, 6-7, 7-6 6-2, 6-3; I Lendl (US) bt N Borwick (Aus) 7-5, 6-2, 6-3, A Olhovskiy (Russ) bt J Stoltenberg (Aus) 1-6, 4-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4, R Fromberg (Aus) bt D Wheaton (US) 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, M Washington (US) bt K Braasch (Ger) 6-7, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3, J Burillo (Sp) bt K Carlsen (Den) 6-3, 7-6, 6-7, 6-4, S Bruguera (Sp) bt B Shelton (US) 6-0, 6-2, 7-5, T Muster (Austria) bt D Musa (fl) 6-3, 6-2, 6-0; T Enqvist (Swe) level with A Corretja (Sp) 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-7, R Reneberg (US) bt B Becker (Ger) 6-1, 6-4, 4-6, 1-6, 7-6, S Edberg (Swe) bt L Jonsson (Swe) 7-5, 6-1, 6-1; P Rafter (Aus) bt D Rikl (Cz) 6-4, 6-1, 6-4.

WOMEN Singles: First round: A Sánchez Vicario (Sp) bt L Ferrando (It) 7-5, 6-1; E Zardo (Switz) bt E Martinezova (Cz) 6-3, 6-0, E Likhovtseva (Kaz) bt J Kruger (SA) 6-2, 6-4, S-T Wang (Tai) bt Fang Li (China) 7-5, 6-4; L Meskhi (Geo) bt A Sugiyama (Japan) 6-1, 6-4; A Keller (US) bt L Courtois (Bel) 6-1, 6-3; G Fernandez (US) bt S Hack (Ger) 6-2, 2-6, 7-6, A Carlsson (Swe) bt N Faber (Bel) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2; S Farina (It) bt M Tu (US) 7-5, 6-7, 6-1; M Pierce (Fr) bt A Temesvari (Hun) 6-3, 6-2; C Martinez (Sp) bt V Martinek (Ger) 6-1, 6-0, M McGrath (US) bt T Price (SA) 6-1, 6-2, S Tostud (Fr) bt E Brioukhovets (Russ) 7-5, 7-5; G Helgeson (US) bt K Kschwendt (Ger) 6-2, 6-1; N Medvedeva (Ukr) bt B Schett (Austria) 4-6, 6-2, 7-6, R Zrubakova (Slovakia) P Tarabini (Arg) 6-2, 6-2, Y Kamio (Japan) bt L Golarsa (It) 6-4, 6-4; P Hy (Can) bt F Labat (Arg) 6-1, 7-6; K Habsudova (Slovakia) bt D Monami (Bel) 6-3, 6-2; A Fusai (Fr) bt B Schultz (Holl) 6-4, 6-3, E Reinach (SA) bt D van Rensburg (SA) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4; M-J Gaidano (Arg) bt A Lettiere (US) 6-1, 7-6; A Gavaldon (Mex) bt B Fulco-Villella (Arg) 7-5, 7-6; K Studenikova (Slovakia) bt D Graham (US) 6-3, 3-6, 6-4; M-J Fernandez (US) bt S Appelmans (Bel) 6-4, 6-3; A Frazier (US) bt R McQuillan (Aus) 6-0, 6-3, I Majoli (Cro) bt N Van Lottum (Fr) 6-1 2-0 ret; L Raymond (US) bt C Cunningham (US) 7-6, 6-4; I Demongeot (Fr) bt L Gnarardi (Fr) 6-2, 6-3; N Tauziat (Fr) bt S Rottier (Holl) 7-6, 2-6, 7-5; S Graf (Ger) bt A Mall (US) 6-2, 6-1, K Date (Japan) bt R Hiraki (Japan) 6-0, 6-2; B Ritzner (Ger) bt M Bollegraf (Holl) 6-2, 6-1; K Maleeva (Bul) bt M Kochta (Ger) 6-1, 6-2, A Smashnova (Isr) bt L McNeil (US) 6-2, 6-4; S Cacic (US) bt M-A Montolio (Sp) 7-5, 6-3, A Grossman (US) bt C Singer (Ger) 6-3, 6-4; S Cecchini (It) bt S Meier (Ger) 6-3, 6-1; K Nagatsuka (Japan) bt S Dopfer (Austria) 6-1, 6-3, C Kuhlman (US) bt S Frankl (Ger) 6-3, 6-1

Daly withdraws from European Masters

JOHN Daly will miss the Canon European Masters tournament in Switzerland this week as a result of the incident in which he was involved during the World Series in Ohio on Sunday. The American golfer was caught up in a scuffle with the father of another player, who accused him of hitting before it was safe to do so during the final round.

The two men fell to the ground and had to be separated by spectators and caddies. Tim Finchem, the new commissioner of the US PGA Tour, is to speak to those involved.

Daly returned from a four-month ban earlier this year, having walked out of a tournament in Hawaii. His manager, John Mascatello, contacted the organisers of the European Masters and said: "After being struck, John Daly reinjured his back, which has been giving him considerable problems for the last two months. It looks as if he will be out of action indefinitely. We are very disappointed about Switzerland. We were looking forward to it very much."

Marsh decides to retire

CRICKET: Geoff Marsh, the former Australia opening batsman, has announced his retirement from the first-class game. Marsh, 35, a veteran of 50 Test matches and captain of Western Australia for more than four seasons, announced his decision only six weeks before the start of the Sheffield Shield season.

Marsh said: "It was a tough decision, but I want to say it was my own decision. I have not spoken to anybody. I just wanted to make my own mind up." He cited family commitments and a lack of desire to train as leading reasons for retiring. He scored 2,854 runs, including four centuries, in Test cricket at an average of 33.18. Allan Border, the former Australia captain, said: "The baggy green cap never fitted a better man."

Meads makes early exit

SQUASH: There was mixed news for England's competitors on the first day of the Hong Kong Open with Stephen Meads crashing out and Simon Parke advancing to the second round. Meads was well beaten by the world No 1 and top seed, Jansher Khan, in only 46 minutes as he went down to a 15-11, 15-9, 15-11 defeat, but Parke cruised through 15-12, 15-5, 15-5 against Mir Zaman Gul, of Pakistan. The former world champion, Rodney Martin, went down 13-15, 10-15, 15-11, 15-9, 15-12 to a qualifier, Craig Wapnick, of South Africa, who is ranked 41 places below him.

Official punished

FOOTBALL: The Pakistan Football Federation has barred its former secretary general, Hafiz Salman Butt, for ten years on charges of embezzlement and misconduct, the Asian Football Confederation said yesterday. The decision was taken by the federation's general council and announced by its president, Milan Mohammad Azhar. Asia's governing body recommended an international ban on Pakistan when two different Pakistani teams arrived in the United Arab Emirates for an Asian under-19 championship qualifying tournament in July.

Player fails test

FOOTBALL: Valentin Belkevich, a midfield player for Dynamo Minsk, has failed a second drugs test which confirmed he used a banned substance, Uefa, the game's European governing body, confirmed yesterday. An analysis carried out on the B sample yesterday provided by the Belorus international after Minsk's Uefa Cup match against Hibernians, of Malta earlier this month confirmed that traces of nandrolone were found in Belkevich's urine sample. It said the case will be submitted to Uefa's control and disciplinary committee for a ruling tomorrow.

World Cup changes

GOLF: Ernie Els and David Frost have withdrawn from the 1994 World Cup to play in another tournament taking place at the same time. Els and Frost had initially been selected to represent South Africa in the World Cup at Delrado Beach Golf Club in Puerto Rico from November 10, but both players have said they are committed to playing in the Grand Slam of Golf, an event sanctioned by the US PGA with a limited field made up of leading 1994 tournament winners. They will be replaced by Roger Wessels and Wayne Westner.

Getting in a twist telling heroes from villains

MIDWEEK VIEW



SIMON BARNES

Sport's basic delight is its straightforwardness. In a twisted world, sport is straight: at the end of the day (to use that most beloved of sporting phrases), you know who won and who lost: who is the hero, who the villain.

The only trouble is that, at the start of the next day, it is all different. Time and again of late, I have gone to bed on a happy, uncomplicated world of smiling, happy, uncomplicated heroes, and woken up to another fine mess of twisted disasters.

Take last weekend. Sunday's happiest image was of Michael Schumacher punching the air (if you got points for air-punches, they'd never catch him) and wasting champagne. Sport's least inhibited celebrant was at it again.

But, by Monday morning, he had been disqualified, docked ten points, declared a non-winner, the toothpaste of victory had been forced back into the tube and no doubt the squirted champagne had been gathered up and restored to the bottle.

Formula One's latest hi-tech device, a plank of wood, had failed to conform to regulations: Schumacher and the Benetton team were retrospectively disqualified and history was rewritten. Never mind all that vroom-vroom stuff; the real action this year is in committee.

Overlapping all of this excitement, we had the latest ghastliness from the Commonwealth Games. One day we had sport's last Great Innocent: Horace Dove-Edwin, second to Linford Christie and a breath of fresh air in a sport forever touched by one poison or another.

But a couple of days later, Dove-Edwin was just another self-poisoner in an increasingly poisonous sport. He was guilty of what one of my more emotional colleagues called "the ultimate betrayal": yes, humanity totters, civilisation is at an end and Dove-Edwin has lost his silver medal. Don't punch the air until your B sample is cleared.

Every day, sport presents itself with another weird anomaly. Tottenham Hotspur began the season with two spectacular victories. These, of course, are worth a total of zero league points.

This odd manipulation of events has occurred because people no longer connected with the club once did something nasty in the woodshed. Jürgen Klinsmann, who has been with the club for about five minutes, has scored three goals that are worth precisely nothing because of the actions of people he has never met. This is fantasy football played with real football teams.

Or take Michael Atherton. Or don't. Really, I can't keep up with him. Every time I go to bed, he is a hero, every time I wake up, some television replay has shown him to be a villain after all. The first time, his quaint honour turned to dust, but I haven't the heart to dig it further.

The second time was the ludicrous read-my-lips affair: Atherton was done for dissent because he looked grumpy on television. The next step must be to fine fielders who place their hands on their hips when an appeal is turned down: a grand a man for every performer of the notorious "double-teapot" of simulated incredulity.

Sport is supposed to be, if I may employ the only piece of computer jargon I know, a *Wysiwyg* business: this being an acronym for What You See Is What You Get. But this is no longer the case, as Schumacher, Dove-Edwin, Klinsmann and Atherton can tell us.

It is all getting dreadfully confusing. At any minute, in the pit lane, across the running track, advancing from cover point or striding to the penalty spot, I expect to see the figure of Monty Python's Colonel: "Getting *silly*."

Sport is caught up in a spiral of inflation: inflation of interest, inflation of media coverage, inflation of financial possibilities for all concerned. Each one of these feeds on the others's increase: the radius of the spiral decreases, the velocity increases, and round and round we whizz, dizzy, disorientated and sometimes more than a trifle sick.

Groggy sporting administrators find themselves at permanent loggerheads with life as they seek to reconcile the two great irreconcilables: the value of sport and its ever-increasing price.

As sport is seen more than ever before, is followed more closely and is contested more intensely, so more things go wrong, and more things are seen to go wrong.

Sporting bodies were originally established to organise a bit of serious fun: these days, the same organisations are trying to run billion-quid industries.

It is hardly surprising that things get out of step sometimes. And, as the spiral tightens and quickens, the anomalies will come at us more and more often. Getting *silly*.

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IDDY-UMPTY

(b) Conventional verbal representation of the dots and dashes of the Morse Code, also *iddy-iddy-umpty*, echoic and jocular: "To see men practising the iddy-umpty, as they call it, with the back of a sheath-knife on the top of an empty tobacco-tin in lieu of a regulation dummy-key."

JHULA

(c) A simple suspension bridge used in the Himalayas, also *joolah*, from the Hindi *jhūlā* swing, swing-rope: "The rustic bridge is supplanted by Jhulas, formed by ropes stretched across, constituting a species of loose parapet."

KNEIPE

(a) A convivial meeting of German university students (and the like) at a tavern or restaurant, also erroneously *Kneip* and *Knip*, plural *Kneipen*; *Kneipes*, from the German word: "Youths whose lives are apparently given up to the mere conviviality of *Kneiping* or beer-drinking."

MURUMURU

(c) A Brazilian palm, *Astrocaryum murumuru*, whose stem is covered with black spines, from the Tupi name: "On the Upper Amazon cattle eat the fruits of the Murumuru, wandering about for days in the forest to procure it."

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

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Sacrament carries Stoute's hopes of classic full house

By Richard Evans, Racing Correspondent

MICHAEL Stoute and Walter Swinburn will attempt next week to join racing's most exclusive "club" by winning the St Leger and completing a rare nap hand of domestic classic victories.

Among today's trainers and jockeys only Dick Hern, Henry Cecil, Willie Carson and Lester Piggott have won the 1,000 and 2000 Guineas, the Derby, Oaks and St Leger.

Ever since Swinburn and Stoute teamed up in 1981 and won the Derby that year with Shergar, they have consistently enjoyed success at the highest level, including Doyoun's victory in the 1988 2,000 guineas, Unite's Oaks triumph in 1987, and the 1,000 Guineas win by Musical Bliss in 1989.

However, the St Leger, run over one mile, six furlongs and 127 yards at Doncaster, has eluded the duo. Shergar was sent off an odds on favourite to oblige in 1981, but could manage only fourth. Since then Stoute has sent out several placed horses including Untold, third to Moon Madness in 1986, Helenic, second to Snurge in 1990, and Saddler's Hall, runner-up behind Toulon the following year.

On Saturday week Stoute and Swinburn hope to put the record straight with the progressive Sacrament. Unraced as a two-year-old the Shirley Heights colt has won all his races after a pleasing introduction when fourth at Newmarket in April.

Significantly, he opened his account at Redcar where he defeated Red Route, the Henry Cecil-trained favourite for the St Leger. Despite having a stamina-endowed pedigree, he stepped back successfully to an extended mile at Epsom, before winning a listed race over 12 furlongs at Haydock.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: SOLOMON'S DANCER
(3.10 York)

Next best: Don't Worry Me
(2.40 York)

Sacrament's St Leger credentials were underlined when he took the Great Voltigeur Stakes at York's Ebor meeting. Always travelling comfortably behind Broadway Flyer, he quickened decisively down the Knavesmire's long straight before holding off his pursuers, led by Ionio.

Stoute, as competitive and hungry for success as ever, is well aware of the kudos attached to having won all five classics and, therefore, the importance of next week. "We have been knocking at the doors but we have not opened them yet," he said yesterday.

"Sacrament was very immature as a two-year-old and spent most of his time at stud [he is owned by Cheveley Park Stud]. He shaped very nicely before he ran and we thought he would run a nice race on his debut, which he did.

"After winning over a mile and a quarter at Redcar he had a poisoned foot and missed his next intended engagement over 10 furlongs. That is why we raced him over eight and a half furlongs on Oaks day; there was not an alternative."

Reflecting on his significant length and a quarter defeat of Red Route at Redcar, Stoute said: "He had to struggle, but got on top in the closing stages. Both have improved a lot since then. It all depends which has improved most."

He added: "I was very satisfied with him at York. He is not the kind of horse who would ever win a race by too far. I am convinced he will stay the St Leger trip. I remember seeing his dam finish second in the Yorkshire Oaks in terrible conditions."

Ladbrokes bet: 9-4 Red Route, 3-1 Midnight Legend, 5-1 Sacrament, 6-1 Broadway Flyer, 8-1 Double Trigger, 10-1 bar.

JULIAN HERBERT



Invigilate, left, comes with a well-timed challenge under Brent Thomson to collar long-time leader Go With Bo, partnered by Paul Eddery, in the Ladbroke Group Sprint Handicap at Epsom

Dunwoody appeals against suspension

RICHARD Dunwoody yesterday appealed against a six-day suspension which he received for irresponsible riding on board the Martin Pipe-trained Kayfaat at Newton Abbot on Monday.

Dunwoody was adjudged to have tightened up the Peter Hobbs-ridden Kanooz, and New Statesman, partnered by Sean Curran, on the bend after the sixth flight of the South West Handicap Hurdle, and will be sidelined from September 7 to 12.

Dunwoody, whose title rival Adrian Maguire moved into the lead for the jockeys' championship when riding a five-timer at Plumpton on Monday, confirmed yesterday that he will contest the ban, saying: "I am dissatisfied with the decision of the stewards and plan to appeal. I left room for one horse on the bend, and there is often quite a lot of trouble there."

Dunwoody's case will be backed by Hobbs, who said yesterday: "I think Richard has been hard done by. Six days is a bit steep and if he wants me to support his appeal, I will. The layout of the track is mainly to blame. They moved the rail to save some ground for the winter, and that sharpened the bend.

"Carl Llewellyn, who was a length and a half clear on the leader, Alqairawaan, swung out wide and Richard's horse followed him. Then he came in for the apex and that tightened everyone else up."

YORK

THUNDERER

2.10 Mister Beat
2.40 Don't Worry Me
3.10 Solomon's Dancer
3.40 DOUBLE BLUE (nap)
4.10 Secret Aly
4.40 Taqreem
5.10 Zamalek

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.40 WAVIAN.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.10 Miss Pin Up. 4.10 Secret Aly. 5.10 ZAMALEK (nap).

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM — DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE — SIS

2.10 LEVY BOARD FLINTLOCK CIDER CLAIMING STAKES
(£5,318: 1m 205yd) (12 runners)

101 (5) 112810 ANTARTICTERN 19 (D,F,G) (Consultco Ltd) N Tinkler 4-9-3 M Fenton (3) –
102 (12) 252330 RIVAL BID 18 (D,G) (D Abbas) M Jarvis 6-9-2 L Dettori 91
103 (4) 130533 AWESOME POWER 11 (G) (G Frayne) J Hills 8-9-0 A Clark 90
104 (10) 310142 SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 16 (D,F,G,S) (Miss D-M Lappin) A Harrison 7-9-0 R Lappin 89
105 (1) 403400 BRAVE HERO 7 (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 4-8-13 J Weaver 59
106 (2) 343122 NORTH ESK 1 (F,G) (W Swiers) D Nicholls 5-8-13 DOUBTFUL 65
107 (11) 00 TRAIL OF TEARS 229 (T Hawkes) W Haigh 4-8-12 Dale Gibson –
108 (9) 666022 SUNDAY NEWS'N'ECHO 12 (B,G) (F Kalla) P Kelleway 3-8-9 Pat Eddery 99
109 (3) 066042 MISTER BEAT 26 (B) (P Asquith) J FitzGerald 3-8-7 K Fallon 98
110 (8) 044064 COMTEC'S LEGEND 16 (F,G) (Comtec Holdings Ltd) J Bottomley 4-8-4 G Carter 69
111 (6) 050010 BRITANNIA MILLS 8 (F) (A Mann) M Chapman 3-8-3 N Kennedy 74
112 (7) 421103 MISS SPRINGTIME 7 (F,G) (L Lamatt) M Prescott 3-8-3 G Duffield 98

BETTING: 3-1 Sunday News'N'Echo, 5-1 Rival Bid, 6-1 Sir Arthur Hobbs, 7-1 Mister Beat, 8-1 others.

1993: JADE VALE 4-8-11 D Harrison (2-1 fav) J Hills 9 ran

FORM FOCUS

RIVAL BID 4l 3rd of 9 to Desert Fighter in handicap at Windsor (1m 2f, good to firm) on penultimate start. AWESOME POWER short-head and 2½l 3rd of 8 to Round By The River in claimer at Redcar (1m 2f, good) on penultimate start. SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 1¼l 2nd of 4 to Segala in handicap at Hamilton (1m 65yd, firm). SUNDAY NEWS'N'ECHO ¾l 2nd of 12 to Quickstep in claimer at Sandown (1m 1f, good). MISTER BEAT 2l 2nd of 8 to Neatstep in claimer at Haydock (1m 2f 120yd, good).
Selection: SUNDAY NEWS'N'ECHO

2.40 BEST BUY PRODUCTS CONDITIONS STAKES
C4
(2-Y-O: £5,038: 5f) (6 runners)

201 (2) 41101 CIM BOM BOM 13 (D,F,S) (Y Birel) M Bell 9-2 M Fenton (3) 92
202 (6) 1 FIRE DOME 41 (D,G) (Mahmood Al-Shuaibi) T Mills 8-12 L Dettori 78
203 (1) 21242 WAVIAN 14 (D,F) (K Abdulla) R Charlton 8-12 Pat Eddery 99
204 (4) 222131 DON'T WORRY ME 18 (D,F) (M Caveney) F Lee 8-11 S Perks 98
205 (3) 11065 POLLY PARTICULAR 18 (D,G,S) (J Ranson) C Fairhurst 8-11 K Darley 87
206 (5) 21012 QUIZ TIME 18 (D,F) (Lady Fairhaven) M Prescott 8-7 G Duffield 95

BETTING: 2-1 Wavian, 3-1 Cim Bom Bom, 5-1 Don't Worry Me, Quiz Time, 6-1 Polly Particular, 12-1 Fire Dome.

1993: WELSH MIST 8-5 M Roberts (7-2) R Boss 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

CIM BOM BOM beat Bajan Rose 2l in 5-runner conditions race at Salisbury (5f, firm). FIRE DOME beat Avant Holt 2½l in 5-runner maiden at Yarmouth (5f, good). WAVIAN ¾l 2nd of 8 to Raah Algharb in listed race at York (5f, good to firm). DON'T WORRY ME beat Lloc 4l in 5-runner conditions race at Ripon (5f, good to firm). POLLY PARTICULAR about 7¾l 6th of 16 to Brave Music in conditions race at Ascot (5f, good to firm) on penultimate start.
QUIZ TIME 3½l 2nd of 8 to Easy Option in listed race at Newbury (5f, good), with POLLY PARTICULAR (1lb worse off) 2¼l 5th.
Selection: DON'T WORRY ME

3.10 BATLEYS CASH & CARRY HANDICAP
C4
(£7,765: 1m 5f 194yd) (13 runners)

301 (7) 810-500 TAPIS ROUGE 18 (V,G,S) (M Pipe) T Caldwell 5-9-10 W Ryan 99
302 (12) 6-34320 WINGS COVE 14 (D,F) (E Cohen) Lady Herries 4-9-9 T Ives 93
303 (2) 422531 SUNDERLAND ECHO 26 (F,G,S) (Northeast Press) Mrs M Reveley 5-9-9 T Quinn 94
304 (6) 043211 SOLOMON'S DANCER 25 (D,F,G) (W Haigh) W Haigh 4-9-8 Dean McKeown 92
305 (8) 650-401 MISS PIN UP 11 (D,F,G) (E Baldwin) W Haggas 5-9-4 B Thomson 95
306 (5) 441316 GOLDEN HELLO 13 (F,G) (G Shouler) M H Easterby 3-9-0 M Birch 95
307 (1) 2850-04 ROBERTY LEA 7 (F,G,S) (Wensleydale Const Ltd) Mrs M Reveley 6-9-0 K Darley 91
308 (10) 62331 TETHYS 23 (F) (M Gleeson) J Eyre 3-8-11 J Fortune 94
309 (3) 000253 CHAKALAK 19 (CD,F,G) (P Chaldon) S Dow 6-8-10 M Roberts 96
310 (11) 222212 FLOATING LINE 11 (BF,F,S) (G Lowe) P Wigham 6-8-2 G Carter 96
311 (9) 610565 EIRE LEATH-SCEAL 11 (F,G) (M Britain) M Britain 7-8-1 J Lowe 94
312 (4) 643253 FIRST BID 11 (F,S) (Thomlinson's) R Whitaker 7-8-0 J Fanning 96
313 (13) 406623 CROWTHER HOMES 12 (Mrs S Barclay) E Alston 4-7-7 N Varley (5) 96

BETTING: 6-1 Miss Pin Up, 13-2 Wings Cove, 7-1 Golden Hello, Solomon's Dancer, 8-1 Floating Line, Roberty Lea, Sunderland Echo, 10-1 Chakalak, First Bid, 12-1 Tethys, 20-1 Crowther Homes, 25-1 others.

1993: HASTEN TO ADD 3-9-0 G Duffield (11-4 fav) M Prescott 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

SUNDERLAND ECHO beat Midyan Blue 1l in 7-runner handicap at Haydock (1m 3f, good). SOLOMON'S DANCER beat WINGS COVE (3lb better off) 1¾l in 9-runner handicap at Haydock (1m 6f, good), with TETHYS (2lb better off) 2l 3rd. MISS PIN UP beat FLOATING LINE (4lb better off) 2l in 11-runner handicap at Ripon (1m 4f 60yd, good to firm), with FIRST BID (5lb better off) ½l 3rd and EIRE LEATH-SCEAL (6lb better off) 3l 5th. GOLDEN HELLO beat Secret Serenade 3½l in 6-runner handicap at Pontefract (1m 4f, good to firm) on penultimate start. CHAKALAK 4¼l 3rd of 8 to Captain Jack in handicap at Newbury (2m, good). FLOATING LINE beat FIRST BID (4lb better off) 2½l in 9-runner handicap at Ripon (1m 4f 60yd, good to firm) on penultimate start, with EIRE LEATH-SCEAL (7lb better off) about 4½l 6th.
Selection: MISS PIN UP

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wins	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
J Gosden	30	118	25.4	Pat Eddery	46	223	20.6
H Cecil	25	107	23.4	L Dettori	29	189	15.4
P Cole	14	60	23.3	W Ryan	11	73	15.1
R Charlton	9	43	20.9	M Roberts	34	230	14.8
W Hern	5	24	20.8	G Duffield	10	70	14.3
R Boss	4	20	20.0	T Quinn	10	91	11.0

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103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing; J if jumps, F if flat (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

3.40 LAWRENCE BATLEY RATED HANDICAP
C4
(£12,815: 6f) (10 runners)

401 (1) 810120 ROGER THE BUTLER 50 (CD,F,S) (M Hawkin) M Bell 4-8-7 M Fenton (3) 90
402 (6) 145000 BRANSTON ABBY 5 (CD,F,G,S) (J David Abell) M Johnston 5-8-5 M Roberts 90
403 (8) 340000 MASTER PLANNER 32 (CD,F,G) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 5-9-4 J D Smith (5) 92
404 (3) 504060 CELESTIAL KEY 11 (B,D,F,G) (M Brodrick) S Norton 4-9-2 K Darley 97
405 (7) 241412 HEVER GOLF ROSE 11 (D,F,G) (R Popely) T Naughton 3-9-2 Pat Eddery 98
406 (5) 338126 POKER CHIP 11 (D,BF,F,G) (J Smith) I Balding 4-9-1 R Cochrane 99
407 (10) 822242 HIGH TYCOON 11 (V,D,G) (M Tikkoo) D Weld 4-8-12 L Dettori 90
408 (4) 245310 ROCK SYMPHONY 11 (D,G) (Mrs C Feather) W Haggas 4-8-12 B Thomson 97
409 (9) 203003 DOUBLE BLUE 15 (D,F,G,S) (R Haggas) M Johnston 5-8-10 J Weaver 98
410 (2) 040500 MISS HAGGIS 15 (B,D,F,G) (P Asquith) R Boss 5-8-7 W Ryan 95

Long handicap: Miss Haggis 8-2.

BETTING: 4-1 Hever Golf Rose, 5-1 Double Blue, Poker Chip, 6-1 High Tycoon, 7-1 Roger The Butler, 8-1 Rock Symphony, 10-1 Master Planner, 12-1 Branston Abby, Celestial Key, 16-1 Miss Haggis.

1993: MASTER PLANNER 4-8-0 J D Smith (6-1 fav) C Cyzer 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

ROGER THE BUTLER best recent effort ¾l 2nd of 9 to Piccolo in listed race at Newcastle (6f, firm), with MASTER PLANNER (3lb better off) 10¾l last. BRANSTON ABBY 11l 8th of 13 to Rafferty's Rules in listed race at Newmarket (6f, good). HEVER GOLF ROSE short-head 2nd of 21 to Whittle Woods Girl in handicap at Ripon (6f, good to firm), with POKER CHIP (4lb better off) about 5¾l 6th, CELESTIAL KEY (7lb better off) 13¼l 11th and ROCK SYMPHONY (5lb better off) 2¼l 14th. POKER CHIP short-head 2nd of 26 to For The Present in handicap at Goodwood (6f, firm) on penultimate start, with DOUBLE BLUE (4lb better off) 8l 15th and MASTER PLANNER (4lb better off) head 16th. HIGH TYCOON 2l 2nd of 8 to Diligent Dodger in listed race at Leopardstown (6f, good to firm). DOUBLE BLUE about 1l 3rd of 21 to Numbered Account in handicap over course and distance (good to firm), with MISS HAGGIS 10l 16th.
Selection: HEVER GOLF ROSE

4.10 McIVOR SCOTCH WHISKY HANDICAP
C4
(£6,420: 7f 202yd) (16 runners)

501 (10) 04100-0 SO SO 7 (D,F,S) (G Martin) T Barron 4-10-0 J Fortune 89
502 (11) 01-2142 EVER SO LYRICAL 25 (D,F,G) (The Pendley Pontars) P Harris 4-9-11 R Cochrane 93
503 (13) 031112 QUEENS CONSUL 8 (D,F,G) (Miss H Davison) B Rothwell 4-9-10 M Fenton (3) 97
504 (3) 104351 TOUJOURS RIVIERA 21 (D,G) (J Furlong) J Pearce 4-9-10 G Bardwell 93
505 (6) 12 BILLY BUSHWACKER 43 (F) (T Child) Mrs M Reveley 3-9-9 K Darley 90
506 (9) 003002 SECRET ALY 39 (B Vaak) C Brittain 4-9-8 M Roberts 94
507 (16) 100-502 SPENCER'S REVENGE 11 (D,BF,G) Lord Huntingdon 5-9-5 Dean McKeown 89
508 (4) 031530 PRIDE OF PENDLE 4 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs L Miller) D Nicholls 5-9-3 Alex Greaves 96
509 (15) 65-1008 ALJATHAAB 21 (D,BF,F) (Shaikh Marwan Al Maktoum) J Gosden 3-9-3 L Dettori 92
510 (12) 00-4134 ZAJKO 51 (D,BF,F) (Sir Roger G Gibbs) Lady Herries 4-9-3 T Ives 92
511 (1) 2020-62 SILVER GROOM 18 (D,F,S) (Silver Darling Partnership) R Akehurst 4-8-13 T Quinn 93
512 (14) 001360 DIFFERENT TIMES 41 (F,G,S) Miss L Siddall 4-8-5 D R McCabe (5) 84
513 (2) 566-340 HALMANERROR 57 (Mrs J Smith) Mrs J Ramsden 4-8-4 K Fallon 92
514 (7) 084250 NOBBY BARNES 8 (D,F,G) (Don Enrico Incisa) Don Enrico Incisa 5-8-3 Kim Tinkler 93
515 (5) 308604 SUPER SEVE 26 (B,G) (Wensleydale Const Ltd) Mrs M Reveley 4-8-1 J Fanning 92
516 (8) 000043 PARFAIT AMOUR 7 (D,F) R Whitaker 5-7-12 N Carlisle 99

BETTING: 4-1 Ever So Lyrical, 7-1 Toujours Riviera, 8-1 Queens Consul, Secret Aly, 10-1 Aljathaab, Billy Bushwacker, 12-1 Halmanerror, Zajko, 14-1 Pride Of Pendle, Spencer's Revenge, 16-1 others.

1993: ERTLON 3-9-8 L Dettori (16-1) C Brittain 12 ran

FORM FOCUS

QUEENS CONSUL neck 2nd of 10 to Mo-Addab in handicap at Pontefract (1m, good to firm), with PRIDE OF PENDLE ¾l 3rd and NOBBY BARNES about 10l 6th. TOUJOURS RIVIERA beat Comanche Companion 3l in 15-runner handicap at Sandown (1m, good). BILLY BUSHWACKER ¾l 2nd of 6 to King Rat in claimer at Beverley (1m 100yd, good to firm). SECRET ALY ½l 2nd of 7 to Realities in handicap at Ascot (1m, good to firm). PRIDE OF PENDLE better effort beat EVER SO LYRICAL neck in 14-runner handicap at Redcar (1m, good to firm). SILVER GROOM head 2nd of 16 to Fort Knox in handicap at Lingfield (7f 140yd, good). PARFAIT AMOUR ¾l and head 3rd of 11 to Mustn't Grumble in handicap at Redcar (7f, good to firm), with SO SO (2lb worse off) about 11l 9th.
Selection: SILVER GROOM

4.40 MAYFIELD BITTER & LAGER MAIDEN STAKES
(3-Y-O: £4,944: 1m 2f 85yd) (9 runners)

601 (3) 5362 BLAZE OF OAK 16 (B Haggas) W Haggas 9-0 W Ryan 89
602 (8) 06 DOUBLE JEOPARDY 13 (G Leigh) L Cumani 9-0 K Darley 75
603 (9) 0 KAROO LARK 13 (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 9-0 L Dettori 75
604 (1) 6040 KOATHARY 21 (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 9-0 Pat Eddery 86
605 (6) 2 MERCADIER 13 (Sheikh Mohammed) C Brittain 9-0 M Roberts 94
606 (5) NOUFARI (E Weetman) R Hollinshead 9-0 T Ives –
607 (4) SUNDIN (G Strawbridge) I Balding 9-0 R Cochrane –
608 (7) 6 THE FRENCH FRIAR 21 (T Waddington) G Balding 9-0 T Quinn 80
609 (2) 222 TAQREEM 60 (BF) (H Al Maktoum) W Hern 8-9 R Hills 99

BETTING: 3-1 Mercadier, 7-2 Koathary, 4-1 Taqreem, 9-2 Double Jeopardy, 5-1 Blaze Of Oak, 7-1 The French Friar, 10-1 others.

1993: ICE POOL 8-9 M Roberts (9-2) H Cecil 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

BLAZE OF OAK 4l 2nd of 13 to Amidst in handicap at Nottingham (1m, good to firm). KOATHARY about 6l 4th of 18 to Istinsaar in maiden at Sandown (1m, good) on penultimate start. MERCADIER 3½l 2nd of 14 to Kanchenia in maiden at Yarmouth (1m 2f, soft), with DOUBLE JEOPARDY 9½l 8th and KAROO LARK about 7l 7th. THE FRENCH FRIAR 7¾l 6th of 20 to Maromeol in maiden at Sandown (1m 2f, good), with DOUBLE JEOPARDY 1l 8th and KOATHARY tailed off 15th. TAQREEM 4l 2nd of 8 to Lombardic in maiden at Bath (1m 3f 144yd, firm). Previously 3½l 2nd of 5 to Double Dagger in maiden here (1m 4f, good to firm).
Selection: TAQREEM

5.10 WACHENFELD GERMAN WINES MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £5,553: 6f 214yd) (3 runners)

1 (1) 2 DIAGHILEF 48 (BF) (C Buckley) M Johnston 9-0 J Weaver 89
2 (3) 4 FLORIDANTE 13 (Lord Donoughmore) P Cole 9-0 T Quinn 99
3 (2) 5 ZAMALEK 14 (Buckram Oak Holdings) H Cecil 9-0 W Ryan 98

BETTING: 2-5 Zamalek, 2-1 Floridante, 10-1 Diaghilef.

1993: PEARL KITE 8-9 M Roberts (11-8 jt fav) M Johnston 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

DIAGHILEF 2½l 2nd of 8 to Moheb in Hamilton maiden (6f, good to soft). FLORIDANTE 4½l 4th of 17 to Lady Writer in Salisbury maiden (7f, firm). ZAMALEK about 4½l 5th of 7 to Baltic Raider in conditions race at Kempton (7f, good to firm).
Selection: FLORIDANTE

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Raiders fail

FAIRY Path, trained by David Smaga, won the group three Prix du Calvados at Deauville yesterday by five lengths. The British-trained Malaferrmena and Snowtown finished third and fifth respectively.

Ya Malak, trained by Pip Payne, was second to Cyrano Storme in the Prix du Cercle.

TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

Solomon's Dancer weighted to hold off rivals

YORK
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2.40: Wavian, Don't Worry Me and Quiz Time are the trio to concentrate on. Wavian finished well ahead of Quiz Time at Newbury in July and although Sir Mark Prescott's runner has improved considerably since then, there is no reason to think the placings will be reversed. However, I marginally prefer **Don't Worry Me**, who recorded a fast time when winning impressively at Ripon. Previously she finished a good third behind Lovely Millie and The Jotter at Newmarket over six furlongs. She is best over today's minimum trip.

3.10: Miss Pin Up and Solomon's Dancer are my two against the field. Miss Pin Up appears to have benefited from the switch to Willie Haggas's yard and following a long lay-off looked the winner a long way out at Ripon over a trip which was plenty sharp enough. However, I prefer **Solomon's Dancer**, who came through smoothly from the rear at Haydock before quickening inside the final furlong. Off a 4lb higher mark he can follow up.

3.40: Hever Golf Rose led the stands' side group home in the Great St Wilfrid at Ripon 11 days ago only to be pipped by Whittle Woods Girl on the other side of the track. Joe Naughton's filly is improving and should be thereabouts. I just favour **Double Blue**, who finished third to Numbered Account here last time. With Jason Weaver taking over in the saddle, Mark Johnston's tough gelding can resume winning ways. High Tycoon, second in a listed race at Leopardstown and trained by Dermot Weld, is the dark horse.

4.10: Ever So Lyrical would have won at Redcar last time but for suffering bumping and barging two furlongs out, and the Peter Harris-trained colt can gain compensation here. The colt needs holding up, so the wide draw should not prove too much of a disadvantage. Toujours Riviera benefited from a forceful ride at Sandown and similar tactics should see him go close from stall three.

RICHARD EVANS

NEWTON ABBOT

THUNDERER

2.00 Runaway Pete. 2.30 Wakt. 3.00 Squire Jim. 3.30 Tiger Claw. 4.00 Monday Club. 4.30 Googly.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM — SIS

2.00 BOWRINGS NOVICES CLAIMING HURDLE
(£2,426: 2m 1f) (11 runners)

1 -112 RUNAWAY PETE 6 (BF,F) M Pipe 4-11-7 R Dunwoody 99
2 53-5 WITHOUT A FLAG 13 J White 4-11-7 P McLoughlin (5) 70
3 0- PERSISTENT GUNNER 202 R Hodges 4-11-2 W McFarland –
4 KING REILLY R Frost 4-11-1 J Frost –
5 0-45 RHOMAN FUN 7 G Ham 5-11-0 B Powell –
6 P- FITZROY LAD 37F R Baker 4-10-9 A Thornton –
7 JORDYWRATH 149F Mrs A Knight 4-10-7 S Burrough –
8 4U0- VENTURE PRINTS 265 S Cole 4-10-7 R Bellamy 73
9 DOWNHILL RACER R Hodges 4-10-6 F Leahy (5) –
10 00-P SHALHOLME 20 P Murphy 4-10-6 C Llewellyn 82
11 5P0- FORMAESTRE 11F R Lee 4-10-2 R Greene 81

4-6 Runaway Pete, 4-1 Without A Flag, 8-1 Rhoman Fun, 10-1 Jordywrath, 12-1 Downhill Racer, Venture Prints, 16-1 Persistent Gunner, 20-1 others.

2.30 DIANE AND MARTIN WEDDING DAY NOVICES HURDLE
(£2,253: 2m 6f) (6)

1 15-P CROSULA 7 (F,S) M Pipe 6-11-0 R Dunwoody –
2 P0-4 FORGED PUNT 18 F Murphy 7-11-0 S Burrough –
3 464- SHERWOOD FOX 92 (F) S Horn 7-11-0 Mr J Culloty (7) 99
4 00-3 AMAZING AIR 25 (B) D Burchell 4-10-12 Mr S Blackwell 96
5 04P- KRAKATOA 170 A Forte 5-10-9 J Frost 71
6 4-33 WAKT 32 J White 4-10-7 J Railton 90

5-4 Wakt, 3-1 Amazing Air, 4-1 Crosula, 8-1 Sherwood Fox, 10-1 Forged Punt, 12-1 Krakatoa.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M Pipe, 85 winners from 301 runners, 28.2%; P Hobbs, 23 from 92, 25.0%; J O'Shea, 3 from 12, 25.0%; P Nicholls, 12 from 49, 24.5%; J White, 14 from 62, 22.6%; N Twiston-Davies, 7 from 32, 21.9%.

JOCKEYS: R Dunwoody, 35 winners from 131 rides, 26.7%; C Llewellyn, 11 from 47, 23.4%; M Hourigan, 5 from 39, 12.8%; R Farrant, 3 from 29, 10.3%. Only qualifiers.

3.00 COOPER CALLAS DAY HANDICAP CHASE
(£3,037: 3m 2f 110yd) (6)

1 123- SQUIRE JIM 93 (B,F,G) N Twiston-Davies 10-12-0 C Llewellyn 95
2 4-31 TOUCHING STAR 20 (CD,F,G,S) P Hobbs 9-12-0 M Hourigan 95
3 0F-2 WREKIN HILL 20 (D,G,S) J White 12-11-9 J Railton 90
4 3-32 DOONLOUGHAN 7 (D,F,G) G Balding 9-11-6 R Davis (3) 92
5 23-2 HOUSE OF ROSES 14 (BF,G) P Nicholls 6-10-2 R Dunwoody 99
6 14P- MUTUAL BENEFIT 149 (G) F Murphy 7-10-0 C Maude 80

2-1 Touching Star, 3-1 Squire Jim, 4-1 Wrekin Hill, 9-2 Doonloughan, 5-1 House Of Roses, 50-1 Mutual Benefit.

3.30 ARMITAGE SHANKS TRIBUNE CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE
(£1,760: 2m 1f) (7)

1 4-P2 TIGER CLAW 7 (B,F,G) A Barrow 8-11-13 F Leahy –
2 0-12 KELLY'S DARLING 11 (D,F) J White 8-10-13 P McLoughlin 95
3 00-4 ECOSSAIS DANSEUR 6 (B,F) J O'Shea 8-10-1 R Davis 98
4 3-30 HAVE A PARTY 25 (B,S) Mrs S Williams 7-10-0 R Farrant 99
5 033- TOOMUCH TOOSOON 110 Miss J Doyle 6-10-0 S Curran 94
6 5F03 ON THE LEDGE 4 H Manners 4-10-0 M Appleby (5) –
7 60-P GREEN'S STUBBS 20 (V) A Barrow 7-10-0 A Thornton 82

5-4 Kelly's Darling, 7-2 Tiger Claw, 4-1 Ecossais Danseur, 6-1 others.

4.00 SELHURST PARK NOVICES CHASE
(£2,775: 2m 110yd) (6)

1 1-11 MONDAY CLUB 4 (CD,F,G) J Tuck 10-11-12 S McNeill 99
2 P-P5 GILBERT 7 (F) D Carey 6-11-2 B Powell –
3 5/5 HENLEY REGATTA 23 P Rodford 6-11-2 S Burrough 74
4 6-43 MADRAJ 30 (F) R Hodges 6-11-2 W McFarland 74
5 P/5- MIRAMAC 98P (F,G,S) R Frost 13-11-2 J Frost 60
6 0-0/2 CORPUS 7 R Hodges 5-10-12 R Dunwoody 71

4-7 Monday Club, 5-1 Corpus, 6-1 Henley Regatta, 10-1 Madraj, 12-1 others.

4.30 ARMITAGE SHANKS BETTER BATHROOMS HANDICAP HURDLE
(£2,381: 2m 1f) (7)

1 22-1 ROUTING 30 (CD,F) N Ayliffe 5-11-10 B Powell 95
2 413- GOOGLY 151 (S) (D) J White 5-11-10 J Railton 90
3 110- CHARCOAL BURNER 97 (CD,F,S) Mrs J Retter 9-10-5 S Fox (5) 90
4 52-2 TENAYESTELIGN 18 D Marks 6-10-3 J McCarthy (3) 92
5 1-11 LUCAYAN GOLD 6 (F) K Bishop 10-10-2 (6ex) R Dunwoody 99
6 50-1 EMERALD MOON 20 (CD,F,G,S) W G Turner 7-10-0 S Burrough 95
7 05-6 GLOWING PATH 23F (CD,F) R Hodges 4-10-0 W McFarland 78

5-2 Routing, 7-2 Tenayestelign, 4-1 Googly, 5-1 Charcoal Burner, Lucayan Gold, 8-1 Emerald Moon, 25-1 Glowing Path.

FONTWELL PARK

THUNDERER

2.20 Radiant Dancer. 2.50 No Word. 3.20 Barcham. 3.50 Sohail. 4.20 Holtermann. 4.50 Wild Strawberry.

GOING: FIRM — SIS

2.20 ELITE RACING CLUB NOVICES CLAIMING HURDLE
(£1,799: 2m 2f) (8 runners)

1 HIGH KICKER 121F M Pipe 10-13 J Lower
2 LOOSE CHANGE 72F G L Moore 10-9 M Richards
3 R SPEEDY SNAPS IMAGE 23 C Weedon 10-9 Peter Hobbs
4 3 FABULOUS PRINCESS 7 C Popham 10-7 J R Kavanagh
5 2 RADIANT DANCER 7 R Phillips 10-6 J Osborne
6 P DEAR SALSE 12F R Curtis 10-2 D Morris
7 8 LOUISIANA SPORT 23 D Laing 10-2 D Gallagher
8 MY SONG OF SONGS 28F R Hoad 10-2 D Bridgwater

4-6 High Kicker, 3-1 Radiant Dancer, 7-2 Fabulous Princess, 10-1 others.

2.50 JIM & GWEN DAWSON GOLDEN WEDDING NOVICES CHASE
(£2,194: 2m 2f) (5)

1 PF-1 NO WORD 21 (CD,F) J White 7-11-12 A Maguire
2 5/P CZERMINO 6 (F,G) P Evans 11-11-6 N Williamson
3 /0-3 KINGOFSPANCILHILL 7 R Curtis 7-11-6 D Morris
4 0 KINLOGH GALE 13 J O'Shea 6-11-6 D Bridgwater
5 -122 QUALITAIR MEMORY 7 (BF,F,G,S) A Jones 5-11-4 G McCourt

4-7 No Word, 7-2 Qualitair Memory, 9-2 Kingofspancilhill, 10-1 others.

3.20 ELITE RACING CLUB SELLING HURDLE
(£1,815: 2m 2f) (6)

1 P0-1 WINGS OF FREEDOM 13 (V,F) J Jenkins 6-11-9 N Williamson
2 P0-2 BARCHAM 2 (S) D Wilson 7-11-2 A Maguire
3 46-4 PHILS PRIDE 20 (G,S) B Buckler 10-11-2 W Marston
4 250- CONBRIO STAR 126 Miss C Caroe 4-11-0 I Lawrence
5 55/ LADY BUNTING 14F Miss B Sanders 7-10-11 M Richards
6 35P- CLASSY KAHYASI 72F (B) T McGovern 4-10-9 D Bridgwater

5-4 Wings Of Freedom, 11-4 Phils Pride, 9-2 Barcham, 8-1 Lady Bunting, 10-1 Classy Kahyasi, 12-1 Conbrio Star.

3.50 SOUTH WEST SUSSEX RADIO HANDICAP CHASE
(£2,562: 2m 2f) (3)

1 P6P- GREENHEART 112 (F,G) R Dean 11-12-0 A Procter (3)
2 3-21 SOHAIL 21 (CD,F,G,S) J White 11-11-9 A Maguire
3 246- ACHILTIBUIE 92 (F) F Yardley 10-10-0 D Gallagher

1-3 Sohail, 3-1 Greenheart, 6-1 Achiltibuie.

4.20 PORTOBELLO TRADER NOVICES HURDLE
(£1,751: 2m 6f) (8)

1 55-1 HOLTERMANN 9 (F,G,S) J O'Shea 10-11-6 D Bridgwater
2 3-21 WILKINS 18 (D,F) R O'Sullivan 5-11-6 D O'Sullivan
3 P0-6 CRUISE CONTROL 32 R Rowe 8-11-0 E Murphy
4 03/ IMAGE BOY 457 J Bennett 6-11-0 L Harvey
5 /1R- PIGEON ISLAND 347 (F,G) G Charles-Jones 12-11-0 Mr A Charles-Jones
6 3P5- SHAMSHADAL 6F J Jenkins 4-10-11 A Maguire
7 P- YARDLEY COURT 289 J Panvert 4-10-11 Peter Hobbs
8 260- MILLMOUNT 173 (V) T McGovern 4-10-6 N Williamson

6-4 Wilkins, 2-1 Holtermann, 5-1 Millmount, 7-1 Cruise Control, 8-1 others.

4.50 LITTLEHAMPTON GAZETTE HANDICAP HURDLE
(£1,995: 2m 2f) (4)

1 211- WILD STRAWBERRY 3F (D,G) Miss B Sanders 5-11-10 M Richards
2 2-33 RULING DYNASTY 13 (CD,B,F,G,S) M Usher 10-11-7 Lorna Vincent
3 135- CHINAMAN 88 (CD,F) Mrs J Renfree-Barons 5-11-5 A Tory
4 0-11 FLUIDITY 9 (F,G) J O'Shea 6-11-4 (6ex) D Bridgwater

4-5 Fluidity, 2-1 Wild Strawberry, 4-1 Ruling Dynasty, 10-1 Chinaman.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M Pipe, 24 winners from 68 runners, 35.3%; M Usher, 4 from 15, 26.7%; Miss B Sanders, 8 from 32, 25.0%; J White, 12 from 55, 21.8%; R Curtis, 16 from 75, 21.3%; R Hoad, 3 from 15, 20.0%.

JOCKEYS: J Osborne, 8 winners from 30 rides, 26.7%; Lorna Vincent, 4 from 15, 26.7%; Peter Hobbs, 16 from 78, 20.5%; D Morris, 19 from 93, 20.4%; A Maguire, 22 from 122, 18.0%; E Murphy, 5 from 28, 17.9%.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: York: 3.10 Tapis Rouge, 3.40 Celestial Key, High Tycoon, Miss Haggis. Fontwell Park: 3.20 Classy Kahyasi. Newton Abbot: 2.30 Amazing Air, 3.00 Squire Jim, 3.30 Have A Party.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S TWO MEETINGS

Epsom

Going: good to firm

2.15 (1m 114yd) 1, THAT OLD FEELING (L Dettori, 6-1); 2, Danjing (T Quinn, 3-1); 3, Karayib (W Carson, 5-2). ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Green's Wooton (5th), 25 Flash Of Insight (4th), 33 Celestial Fire, No Pattern (6th), 100 Little Secret. 8 ran. Sh hd, 3½l, 1l, 1¼l, sh hd. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £6.50; £1.40, £1.10, £1.10. DF: £7.80. CSF: £22.29.

2.45 (7f) 1, SHAMROCK FAIR (L Dettori, 8-13 fav); 2, Sarasi (T Quinn, 16-1); 3, Pacific Girl (Stephen Davies, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 9-2 First Bite, 12 Don't Mean A Thing (5th), 16 Euro Forum, Safis (4th), 25 Chance Me, 33 Deceit The Second, Overtaker, 50 My Dutch Girl (6th). 11 ran. 3½l, ¾l, 2l, 1l, ¾l. Lord Huntingdon at West Ilsley. Tote: £1.50; £1.10, £3.40, £2.70. DF: £11.60. CSF: £12.43.

3.15 (6f) 1, INVIGILATE (B Thomson, 8-1); 2, Go With Bo (Paul Eddery, 6-1 fav); 3, Antonie's Folly (G Carter, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Digpast, 10 Dashing Dancer (5th), Khattat, Love Legend (4th), 12 Bold Gem, Europharm Lassie, Pair Of Jacks, 14 Lorins Gold (6th), Pafacegate Gold, 20 Paddy's Rice, 25 Gilabteni. 14 ran. NR: Anotherone To Note, Belmont Princess, Kinnegad Kid. Nk, 1¼l, nk, ¾l, ¾l. M Wane at Richmond. Tote: £8.30; £2.80, £1.40, £3.80. DF: £23.60. Trio: £193.80. CSF: £46.23. Tricast: £454.48. Anotherone To Note (14-1) and Belmont Princess (14-1), were withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction of 10p in £.

3.50 (1m 4f 10yd) 1, MICROLITE (T Quinn, 9-2); 2, Artic Courier (R Cochrane, 8-1); 3, Riparius (W Newnes, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Batabanoo (4th), 8 Century (6th), Shadow Leader (5th), 25 Mendip Son, 50 Rags Assayl. 8 ran. Sh hd, 2l, 2½l, 1¼l, 10l. P Cole at Whatcombe. Tote: £4.40; £1.10, £2.20, £2.10. DF: £14.50. CSF: £36.45.

4.20 (5f) 1, FARFELU (L Dettori, 9-4 fav); 2, Tyrian Purple (G Carter, 10-1); 3, Lady Phyl (B Doyle, 40-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 Strumpet City, 9-2 Moscow Road (5th), 12 Splash Of Salt, 16 Woders Dreem (4th), 20 Mullara, Sterrethe, 25 Eurochem Lad (6th), On The Wing Again, 40 Lucy's Gold, 66 Dal Miss. 13 ran. 2½l, ¾l, nk, 1¾l, 1l. W Muir at Lambourn. Tote: £3.10; £1.40, £2.40, £8.20. DF: £17.50. CSF: £24.42.

4.55 (1m 2f 18yd) 1, LOWAWATHA (Stephen Davies, 14-1); 2, Diskette (L Dettori, 9-2 fav); 3, Roman Reel (R Hughes, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Another Fiddle, 15-2 Mohawk Trail, 8 Trade Wind (6th), 9 Sovereign Page (4th), 10 Canary Falcon, Father Dan, Sea Baron (5th), Total Joy, 14 Prince Danzig, 25 Ikhtiraa, 33 Dam Certain. 14 ran. NR: Prenonamoss. 2½l, nk, 2½l, ½l, 2½l. D Morris at Newmarket. Tote: £24.60; £4.80, £2.10, £5.10. DF: £73.50. Trio: £732.90. CSF: £75.23. Tricast: £849.93.

5.25 (7f) 1, KINGCHIP BOY (A Clark, 5-1 fav); 2, Ragazzo (B Thomson, 20-1); 3, The Little Ferret (R Hughes, 12-1); 4, Young Duke (T G McLaughlin, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Hawaiian Dream, 6 Sakharov (6th), 8 Care Sparrow, 10 Confronter (5th), Oclues, 12 Michaelmas Park, 20 Rupan, Sir Oliver, 33 Amaam Amaam, Fabnana, Fighting Temeraire, 50 Mockingbird. 18 ran. NR: Silky Siren. 2l, nk, nk, sh hd. 1l. M Ryan at Newmarket. Tote: £6.40; £1.60, £7.90, £2.20, £3.50. DF: £66.30. CSF: £90.78. Tricast: £1,050.95.

Jackpot: £7,100.00.

Placepot: £79.90. Quadpot: £176.00

Ripon

Going: good to firm

2.30 (5f) 1, Total Stranger (K Darley, 3-1 jt-fav); 2, Rymer's Rascal (10-1); 3, Just Dissident (8-1). So Amazing 3-1 jt-fav. 11 ran. 1¾l, hd. T Caldwell. Tote: £4.10; £1.70, £2.10, £3.60. DF: £14.50. CSF: £33.81.

3.00 (1m) 1, Parliament Piece (K Darley, 11-8 fav, The Times Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, North Esk (4-1); 3, Causley (3-1). 14 ran. Hd, 1½l. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £2.30; £1.10, £1.50, £1.70. DF: £4.10. CSF: £8.04.

3.30 (6f) 1, Mihriz (R Hills, 7-4); 2, Indonesian (6-4 fav); 3, Emirates Express (7-2). 9 ran. Hd, nk. W Hern. Tote: £2.30; £1.30, £1.10, £1.80. DF: £1.80. CSF: £5.04.

4.05 (1m 2f) 1, Jubran (J Weaver, 9-1); 2, Event (6-5 fav); 3, Beauman (7-2). 8 ran. Nk, ¾l. M Johnston. Tote: £9.70; £2.50, £1.10, £1.60. DF: £9.80. CSF: £20.92. Tricast: £45.01.

4.35 (5f) 1, Noosa (J Weaver, 5-1); 2, Sound The Trumpet (5-1); 3, Stolen Kiss (11-1). Royal Explorer 4-1 fav. 11 ran. Nk, 2½l. M Johnston. Tote: £5.30; £1.80, £2.10, £3.50. DF: £8.10. Trio: £38.60. CSF: £29.30. Tricast: £244.36.

5.05 (2m) 1, Encore Une Fois (J Weaver, 11-2); 2, Old Red (9-2); 3, Salu (11-4 fav). 10 ran. NR: Don't Cry. 2½l, ½l. M Johnston. Tote: £10.30; £2.40, £1.50, £1.70. DF: £15.70. Trio: £15.00. CSF: £31.04. Tricast: £78.16.

Placepot: £7.50. Quadpot: £18.50.

Munton keeps Warwickshire on course as batsmen let advantage slip

Udal arrests Hampshire's decline

BY JACK BAILEY

EDGBASTON (first day of four; Hampshire won toss): Hampshire have scored 278 runs against Warwickshire

HAMPSHIRE won the toss, decided to bat and climbed onto a rollercoaster. Having made a start that suggested that they would bat all day and possibly most of the next one, they fell, at hair-raising speed, from 129 for one wicket to 139 for six before levelling out and emerging from the day dishevelled, but still bearing the last vestiges of dignity.

That they clung to respectability owed much to a watchful yet pugnacious innings by Shaun Udal, who may tour Australia with England during the winter as a spin bowler but who took this opportunity, with his 64, his third score of over 50 this season, to show that he can bat a bit as well. That Hampshire began so well rested with Paul Terry's accomplished innings in which he made batting look relatively easy. That the innings plummeted so unexpectedly in mid-afternoon could be laid at the door of the admirable Munton, than whom there is no greater tryer, and good slow left-arm bowling by Richard Davis.

However, no explanation for the change in fortune would be complete without mentioning a noticeable lack of application on the part of Hampshire's middle-order batsmen, Robin Smith among them, which presented Warwickshire with wickets that should have been more hardly earned.

Smith has one more innings with which to remind the selectors of his fighting qualities and perhaps to keep Warwickshire waiting before they claim the crown of county champions. He will fail if Munton has anything to do with it. Thriving in every way on captaincy, Munton's fourth wicket yesterday was his 79th of the season, already the best haul of his career, and it was also his 500th first-class wicket.

Before their collapse, Hampshire had been cruising — slowly, surely, but cruising nonetheless. Middleton's customary role as second fiddle to Terry ended just before lunch. The opening stand was worth 74 when Moles toppled forward at silly point and took a good low catch off Neil Smith. The usual perfunctory pre-lunch trundle for the spinner had paid a bigger dividend than usual and already the ball was turning.

The pitch went on taking an unusual amount of spin for the opening day of a four-day match, but, although the left-arm slows of Davis played a part in Hampshire's disastrous middle-order collapse, spin was hardly to blame. It came without warning. Terry was accelerating smoothly. White, latterly of Somerset and scorer of a century for Combined Universities against New Zealand, had settled in smoothly. Then, out of the blue, Munton bent one back after White had decided to leave it alone, the ball hit the off stump and everyone was surprised, White to the point of shock. Still, it was the 58th over of the day. Hampshire were 129 for two and Terry was still there, untroubled, as Smith bustled in.

Smith wants a place on the plane to Australia, a score here would greatly help his cause, and the first ball he received from Munton signalled his intentions. It was driven with great power past mid off. Then, however, Terry came down the wicket, checked his stroke and gave Davis a simple caught-and-bowled; within three overs, Nicholas, his successor, having a purple season, aimed to pull Munton but flat-batted the ball to mid off.



Lara, left, and Piper celebrate the dismissal of Middleton, the Hampshire batsman, at Edgbaston yesterday

As if hara-kiri was all the fashion, Smith, having closed himself in, failed to get over a square cut off Davis and was taken at deep point. With Aymes almost immediately caught at slip off Munton, Hampshire had lost five wickets in eight overs for ten runs. Munton had taken three for eight from 22 balls.

Udal and James played as though all this simply had not happened. James took 14 in an over off Davis, including a huge straight six, and then slowed down while Udal took over. Udal lost James after they had added 69 for the seventh wicket.

The tail wagged. Raj Maru used strokes of varying pedigree but accumulated 32 valuable runs. He and Udal, the spin bowlers, having played a large part yesterday in walk-on parts, may well be leading men today if Hampshire are to succeed in preventing Lara and company from gaining a match-winning ascendancy for Warwickshire.

Wright ensures that Briers gets it wrong

BY IVO TENNANT

BRISTOL (first day of four; Leicestershire won toss): Gloucestershire have scored 350 for four wickets

NIGEL Briers is not a captain with an inherent belief in risk-taking. There have to be cogent reasons for putting the opposition in to bat unless, as here, a desperate need for bonus points outweighs all other considerations. So he gave the weakest batting side in the country first innings, only to watch aghast as Tony Wright made the highest score of his career, an unbeaten 184.

In 12 seasons on Gloucestershire's staff, Wright has made 13 centuries, which is the stuff not of a genius but of the solid English professional. Australians may not care for them, but they are the bedrock of the county game. This was his first championship century for two years, in the course of which he reached a thousand runs in a season for the fifth time. Leicestershire must know now that the championship is beyond them.

Wright looks a better cricketer than such statistics suggest, or at least he did so yesterday. Gloucestershire may well shed two batsmen at their imminent cricket committee meeting, but Wright will not be one of them.

There are doubts as to whether Chris Broad is fit enough to carry on and Simon Hinks, a free striker of the ball in his Kent days, is not likely to be given another contract.

Wright's previous best score this season was 87. When he goes down the pitch to the spinners, as he did here, he can loft the ball over the top as elegantly as anybody in the Gloucestershire side. Leicestershire's strength is their opening pair, Millns and Mullally, but he hooked, pulled and saw them off as well, histrionics and all.

Putting Gloucestershire in to bat initially seemed a sagacious decision. Millns took two early wickets, having Windows held by Nixon and bowling Hodgson with one that kept low. When Dawson was taken at backward short leg off Sheriyar, the over-zealous appealing by Millns that straddled the fine line between enthusiasm and dissent seemed still more unnecessary. Besides, the unyielding umpire was Dickie Bird.

There is a churlishness about Leicestershire's cricket, rooted in the belief that they are not properly appreciated, which is becoming increasingly unattractive. Only two of their fielders applauded Wright's century; nobody bothered to recognise his achievements in reaching 150 or the highest score of his career when this was announced. It was now that Alleyne, who, his county feels, is batting well enough to go on England's A tour, was putting on 135 with Wright in 43 overs.

By the time Hancock joined his former captain, Leicestershire's bowling was enervated. The pitch will take some spin, but not yet. Wright batted for seven hours, hitting 22 fours and a six, having added 145 with Hancock, who is likewise assured of a future. And the bonus points were snaffled by Gloucestershire.

Hick shows Atherton the way

BY PAT GIBSON

OLD TRAFFORD (first day of four; Worcestershire won toss): Worcestershire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 152 runs behind Lancashire

IT IS just as well that England selection is not entirely dependent on performances in the county championship. Otherwise, Michael Atherton would find himself in another embarrassing situation when he sits down with the selectors tomorrow night to pick the tour party for Australia.

For all his problems over what was in his pocket, and what subsequently came out of it, Atherton's form in the Tests and one day internationals has held up remarkably well. In between times, however, he has had a miserable season for Lancashire, his fifth-ball duck yesterday leaving him with only 201 runs to show from 12 championship innings.

Atherton was the first victim of a pitch which might have seen Lancashire facing their second 25-point penalty of the summer, if there had not been a perfectly reasonable explanation for its early-morning tantrums. It had apparently sweated under the covers during heavy overnight rain, and Tim Curtis, the Worcestershire captain, must have been relieved when he won the toss and put Lancashire in.

Worcestershire had been bowled out for 73, the lowest score of the season, the day before, and Lancashire were in danger of going the same way when they lost their first four wickets for 33 inside ten overs. The bounce did for Atherton, who could be forgiven for edging a lifting ball from Radford to the wicketkeeper, but Crawley and Fairbrother may have been thankful for the fact that there were no selectors present to witness their dismissals.

Crawley was caught behind slashing at Lampitt, who also extracted Lloyd's middle stump, and Fairbrother lobbed a catch to short cover off Radford before Speak and Austin launched a sometimes desperate counter-attack which was to produce 74 in 15 overs. Both of them then fell in quick succession, but by then the pitch was beginning to lose its greenish tinge, and Watkinson took advantage of the improved conditions.

There are few more consistent all-rounders in the country. There are even fewer better strikers of the ball as he demonstrated with two straight sixes off Illingworth which, along with his 14 fours, had taken him to within 13 runs of his third century this season when he holed out.

Hegg had helped him to put on 93 for the seventh wicket to give Lancashire a far more respectable total than had seemed likely. Whether it was enough became debatable as soon as Graeme Hick arrived at the crease. Weston had not done much to advance his claim to a place in Saturday's NatWest final team when he was bowled by Chapple, and Curtis was caught behind by Crawley, deputising for the injured Hegg, just before the close. But Hick put Worcestershire's batting problems behind them by cruising effortlessly to 68 off only 83 balls, hitting 12 fours. Atherton could only look on in envy.

Title forecast gloomy for Somerset

BY SIMON WILDE

TAUNTON (first day of four; Northamptonshire won toss): Somerset have scored 151 for three wickets

SOMERSET are one of only four teams that can still win the county championship. For them to do so would require almost as many ifs as Rudyard Kipling's poem: if they win all their remaining matches; if they take maximum bonus points; if Warwickshire fail to win both of their remaining fixtures and take fewer than 11 bonus points . . .

It is unnecessary to go on. Few people are taking Somerset's chances seriously, certainly not in the West Country where only a few hundred souls were drawn to Taunton yesterday and their reward was a day ravaged by rain and bad light.

Between the delays Somerset edged to 151 for three from 53.3 overs. Apart from Lathwell, who was out trapped on the back foot by a jagging inswinger from Ambrose in the third over, and Trescothick, who played elegantly for 46 before chipping a simple catch to mid-off, they have too few batsmen with a proper sense of purpose.

This may stem from their policy of preparing pitches that suit their powerful seam-bowling attack, which may be counter-productive in this instance because Northamptonshire possess a rather useful performer themselves in Ambrose.

Ambrose found some extravagant bounce from the River End and kept Dawood leaping around like a salmon on his championship debut. With Taylor in wayward mood at the other end, there was no rest for the England Under-19 wicketkeeper, at least not until he took a ball from Taylor on a finger end and was forced to hand over the gloves to Warren.

Hayhurst, who came in after Harden and Trescothick were out within three balls, was hit in the chest by Ambrose but the Somerset captain battled on through 114 balls for 39. He shared an unbroken fourth-wicket stand of 80 with Holloway and turned down one offer of bad light. Why Lamb called up Ambrose shortly after, with its inevitable consequence, defied logic.

Somerset's title challenge is not the only thing with a crumbling facade. So, too, does the Taunton ground. Peter Anderson, the Somerset chief executive, said he can look out of his window in the new pavilion and see £2 million-worth of redevelopment. The only thing in the pipeline is £4,000 to improve the press-box. After a day like yesterday, the first thing they ought to invest in is some light-bulbs.

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Ilott harvests rewards of Sussex's profligacy



Ilott: second six-wicket haul

BY MICHAEL HENDERSON

CHELMSFORD (first day of four; Sussex won toss): Essex, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 212 runs behind Sussex

SUSSEX'S season has been a valley of ashes and diamonds. Every now and then someone has sparkled, usually a bowler. More frequently than they would like, the batting has offered only a prospect of barren land, and until they find the necessary means of irrigation this talented side will find the club's first county championship ever more elusive.

They wasted a good toss here, batting like millionaires. Nobody was prepared to build an innings, not even Speight, who in his carefree manner dazzled intermittently in making 73.

It is all very well trying to score quickly — it helped Essex win championships — but a score of 246 all out before tea suggests a lack of discrimination.

Essex, who have also had a chequered season, will rarely dismiss a team with greater ease. Mark Ilott was granted a feast day, and finished with six wickets for the second time this summer. There were two wickets for Mick (as he prefers to be known) Kasprowicz on the day he was awarded his county cap.

In a pleasant little ceremony before the start of play, the Australian fast bowler shared the honour with two men who have come through the club's ranks, Nick Knight and Jonathan Lewis. They have had to wait longer than Ronnie Irani, the fourth recipient, who has taken impressive strides since leaving Lancashire last year.

Irani has won his spurs as a batting all-rounder whose bowling is a bit more productive than Essex might have imagined. Kasprowicz will return to Queensland next month with mixed feelings of his English journey. He has made friends here, and does not lack talent, but it is not difficult to see why Essex want Mark Waugh to resume his county career.

Ilott's summer might have been significantly different if he had been fully fit at the start. His 48 first-class wickets will probably not find favour with the selectors when they meet in Manchester tomorrow. Another A tour is more likely, and on India's flat pitches that will be hard work. He deserves a single word of encouragement: persevere.

Alan Wells, who will lead that tour, has not enjoyed the best of seasons with the bat. He was Ilott's second victim here, caught behind as he tried to pull him. Athey, leg-before not offering a stroke, was the one man to go during Ilott's first spell from the River End.

Moores, outscoring even Speight by two runs to one, had worked up a fair head of steam before lunch. The first two overs after the interval brought 22 more. In the next over Ilott had Moores caught at second slip before Stephenson unaccountably "picked up" the ball to long leg. It was batting to put grey hairs on a captain's head.

Such, replacing Kasprowicz, found immediate reward when Jarvis heaved to long-on. Prichard judged the catch splendidly and held a less difficult one when Speight, trying to hit the cover off Ilott's first ball back, spooned it to mid-off. He had faced 96 balls and found the boundary 13 times, twice when he reverse swept Such, first fine, then square.

For some reason, Salisbury comes in behind Jarvis, who must be the least qualified No 8 in the championship. He nursed Giddins towards the end to make 36 not out. Apart from Ilott's wickets, Knight held three catches at second slip after dropping Athey in that position before he had scored.

Britannic Assurance county championship

Essex v Sussex

CHELMSFORD first day of four: Sussex won toss): Essex, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 212 runs behind Sussex

SUSSEX: First Innings

N J Lenham c Knight b Stephenson	29
C W J Athey lbw b Ilott	15
J W Hall c Knight b Kasprowicz	0
*A P Wells c Gemham b Ilott	18
M P Speight c Prichard b Ilott	73
†P Moores c Knight b Ilott	39
F D Stephenson c Kasprowicz b Ilott	0
P W Jarvis c Prichard b Such	7
I D K Salisbury not out	36
E E Hemmings c Prichard b Ilott	0
E S H Giddins c Gooch b Kasprowicz	3
Extras (lb 10, nb 16)	26
Total (82.2 overs)	246

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-36, 3-60, 4-82, 5-150, 6-160, 7-177, 8-225, 9-227.

BOWLING: Ilott 22-5-72-6; Kasprowicz 15.2-4-72-2; Stephenson 15-2-54-1; Such 10-1-38-1.

ESSEX: First Innings

*G A Gooch not out	23
N V Knight not out	7
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 2)	4
Total (no wkt, 8.3 overs)	34

P J Prichard, N Hussain, J P Stephenson, R C Irani, †M A Garnham, M S Kasprowicz, M C Ilott, P M Such and J H Childs to bat.

BOWLING: Stephenson 3.3-0-9-0; Jarvis 3-0-24-0.

Bonus points: Essex 4 Sussex 1.

Umpires: D R Shepherd and G Sharp.

Nottinghamshire v Glamorgan

WORKSOP first day of four: Nottinghamshire won toss): Nottinghamshire have scored 352 for four wickets against Glamorgan

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

P R Pollard b Dale	28
*R T Robinson c Metson b Gibson	99
G F Archer not out	146
P Johnson c Croft b Dale	51
J C Adams c Morris b Barwick	2
C C Lewis not out	3
Extras (b 1, lb 11, w 5, nb 8)	25
Total (4 wkts, 111 overs)	352

†W M Noon, K P Evans, G W Mike, J E Hindson and J A Afford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-57, 2-226, 3-317, 4-343.

BOWLING: Gibson 14-7-44-1; Watkin 20-3-53-0; Barwick 27-5-93-1; Dale 15-4-44-2; Butcher 11-1-42-0; Croft 24-6-64-0.

GLAMORGAN: *H Morris, D L Hemp, M P Maynard, A Dale, P A Cottey, O D Gibson, R D B Croft, †C P Metson, S L Watkin, S R Barwick and G P Butcher.

Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 4 Glamorgan 1.

Umpires: K E Palmer and A A Jones.

Somerset v Northamptonshire

TAUNTON first day of four; Northamptonshire won toss): Somerset have scored 151 for three wickets against Northamptonshire

SOMERSET: First Innings

M N Lathwell lbw b Ambrose	1
M E Trescothick c Taylor b Penberthy	46
R J Harden c Montgomerie b Curran	15
P C L Holloway not out	26
*A N Hayhurst not out	39
Extras (b 9, lb 12, w 1, nb 2)	24
Total (3 wkts, 53.3 overs)	151

†R J Turner, G D Rose, N A Mallender, A R Caddick, H R J Trump and A P van Troost to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-71, 3-71.

BOWLING: Ambrose 14.3-2-28-1; Taylor 12-2-33-0; Curran 13-5-23-1; Penberthy 8-3-27-1; Walton 5-0-21-0.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: R R Montgomerie, A Fordham, R J Bailey, *A J Lamb, R J Warren, K M Curran, †I Dawood, A L Penberthy, C E L Ambrose, J P Taylor and T C Walton.

Bonus points: Somerset 0 Northamptonshire 1.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and D J Constant.

Warwickshire v Hampshire

EDGBASTON first day of four; Hampshire won toss): Hampshire have scored 278 against Warwickshire

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

T C Middleton c Moles b Smith	18
V P Terry c and b Davis	71
G W White b Munton	30
R A Smith c Twose b Davis	5
*M C J Nicholas c Small b Munton	2
K D James c Smith b Welch	25
†A N Aymes c Lara b Munton	0
S D Udal c Moles b Davis	64
R J Maru c Ostler b Small	32
C A Connor c Moles b Munton	21
J N B Bovill not out	0
Extras (lb 8, nb 2)	10
Total (108.2 overs)	278

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-74, 2-129, 3-133, 4-138, 5-138, 6-139, 7-208, 8-240, 9-277.

BOWLING: Small 20.2-7-49-1; Munton 23-5-44-4; Twose 5-1-19-0; Welch 16-6-45-1; Smith 18-5-36-1; Davis 26-7-77-3.

WARWICKSHIRE: A J Moles, R G Twose, B C Lara, D P Ostler, T L Penney, G Welch, †K J Piper, N M K Smith, R P Davis, G C Small and *T A Munton.

Bonus points: Warwickshire 4 Hampshire 2.

Umpires: K J Lyons and R Palmer.

Yorkshire v Derbyshire

SHEFFIELD first day of four; Yorkshire won toss): Derbyshire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 159 runs behind Yorkshire

YORKSHIRE: First Innings

*M D Moxon c Bowler b Malcolm	22
M P Vaughan lbw b Vandrau	86
D Byas b Vandrau	33
A P Grayson b DeFreitas	3
†R J Blakey b Malcolm	12
S Parker not out	26
S A Kellett lbw b Malcolm	0
D Gough c Rollins b Vandrau	9
R D Stemp b Malcolm	5
C E W Silverwood b Barnett	0
M A Robinson st Krikken b Barnett	6
Extras (b 2, lb 3, nb 8)	13
Total (88.1 overs)	235

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-71, 2-170, 3-175, 4-175, 5-192, 6-195, 7-208, 8-216, 9-221.

BOWLING: Malcolm 22-5-63-4; Cork 18-4-49-0; DeFreitas 23-11-47-1; Vandrau 23.2-6-68-3; Barnett 3.5-1-3-2.

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

P D Bowler b Gough	0
A S Rollins c Kellett b Vaughan	16
C J Adams not out	56
Extras (lb 2, nb 2)	4
Total (2 wkts, 17.3 overs)	76

T J G O'Gorman, *K J Barnett, D G Cork, P A J DeFreitas, C M Wells, M J Vandrau, †K M Krikken and D E Malcolm to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-76.

BOWLING: Gough 6-1-32-1; Silverwood 3-0-14-0; Stemp 3-0-21-0; Robinson 5-2-7-0; Vaughan 0.3-0-0-1.

Bonus points: Yorkshire 1 Derbyshire 4.

Umpires: G I Burgess and J H Harris.

Lancashire v Worcestershire

OLD TRAFFORD first day of four; Worcestershire won toss): Worcestershire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 152 runs behind Lancashire

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

M A Atherton c Rhodes b Radford	0
N J Speak c Rhodes b Newport	47
J P Crawley c Rhodes b Lampitt	3
N H Fairbrother c Leatherdale b Radford	0
G D Lloyd b Lampitt	6
I D Austin c Leatherdale b Moody	41
*M Watkinson c Moody b Illingworth	87
†W K Hegg c Hick b Newport	34
G Yates c Lampitt b Newport	2
P J Martin c Rhodes b Lampitt	7
G Chapple not out	14
Extras (lb 10, nb 16)	26
Total (82.3 overs)	267

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-11, 3-16, 4-33, 5-107, 6-115, 7-208, 8-218, 9-250.

BOWLING: Radford 14-4-59-2; Lampitt 11.3-0-72-3; Moody 10-1-33-1; Newport 16-2-54-3; Haynes 4-2-14-0; Illingworth 7-0-28-1.

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

*T S Curtis c Crawley b Chapple	29
W P C Weston b Chapple	9
G A Hick not out	69
R K Illingworth not out	3
Extras (lb 5)	5
Total (2 wkts, 38 overs)	115

T M Moody, G R Haynes, D A Leatherdale, †S J Rhodes, S R Lampitt, P J Newport and N V Radford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16, 2-110

BOWLING: Martin 9-3-21-0, Chapple 10-2-45-2; Watkinson 10-4-28-0; Austin 7-3-14-0; Yates 2-0-2-0.

Bonus points: Lancashire 2 Worcestershire 4.

Umpires: R Julian and P Willey.

Gloucestershire v Leicestershire

BRISTOL (first day of four; Leicestershire won toss): Gloucestershire have scored 350 for four wickets against Leicestershire

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

A J Wright not out	184
M G N Windows c Nixon b Millns	11
G D Hodgson b Millns	8
R I Dawson c Simmons b Sheriyar	5
M W Alleyne c Robinson b Mullally	38
T H C Hancock not out	59
Extras (b 6, lb 9, nb 30)	45
Total (4 wkts, 110 overs)	350

†R C Russell, R C Williams, *C A Walsh, M C J Ball and V Pike to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-45, 3-70, 4-205.

BOWLING: Millns 20-3-51-2; Mullally 28-8-61-1; Sheriyar 19-1-91-1; Pierson 22-4-55-0; Simmons 10-3-29-0; Wells 13-1-55-0.

LEICESTERSHIRE: P V Simmons, *N E Briers, T J Boon, J J Whitaker, P E Robinson, V J Wells, A D Mullally, †P A Nixon, A R K Pierson, D J Millns and A G Sheriyar.

Bonus points: Gloucestershire 4 Leicestershire 1.

Umpires: H D Bird and A G T Whitehead.

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Crosby: Lancashire 344-7 dec (A Flintoff 109 not out, T C McEwan 94). Somerset 5-4. Pontymister: Essex 195 (A R Butcher 74 not out). Glamorgan 89-3. Cheltenham CC: Gloucestershire 342 (S G Hinks 148, R C J Williams 57; J D Lewry 6-73). Sussex 11-0. Ellland: Yorkshire 305-3 dec (A McGrath 218 not out, C J Schofield 63). Surrey 14-0. Leicester: Middlesex 294 (T A Radford 86, R L Johnson 76). Leicester 315-8 (I Sutcliffe 71; A Khan 6-96).



Wright: career-best

Archer strikes form

GRAEME Archer struck a career best, 146 not out, to help Nottinghamshire to build up a commanding position in their match against Glamorgan. Archer, whose previous best was 117 against Derbyshire two years ago, was in imperious form as the home county totalled 352 for four.

The Cumbrian-born player batted for 313 minutes, hitting 20 fours and three sixes. The highlight of his performance was his second-wicket stand of 169 with the captain, Tim Robinson.

Robinson, however, fell one run short of a deserved century when he was brilliantly caught down the leg side by Colin Metson off the bowling of Ottis Gibson.

Robinson's innings, including 13 fours, gave Nottinghamshire a solid platform from which to build, after he had won the toss and decided to bat. Paul Johnson also indulged in the run feast as Glamorgan toiled without success, the pugnacious batsman hitting eight fours in his 51, scored off 81 deliveries.

BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (92325)
7.00 BBC Breakfast News (63513870)
9.05 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles. (Ceefax) (r) (4878696) **9.30 Artifax.** Last chance to look at the world of design (r) (s) (84696)
10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2804431) **10.05 Playdays** (r) (s) (6110986) **10.30 The Flintstones.** Cartoon (r) (54967)
11.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (2752615) **11.05 Quincy** starring Jack Klugman (r) (5938677) **11.55 Cartoon** (6027948)
12.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (7714696) **12.05 Big Day Out.** The team visits Londonderry (s) (2290122) **12.55 Regional news** and weather (25795122)
1.00 One O'Clock News (Ceefax) and weather (80770)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (41657509) **1.50 Turnabout** (s) (72180967) **2.20 The Rockford Files** with James Garner (r) (6851073)
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4.10 Bananaman (r) (6428847) **4.15 Peter Pan and the Pirates.** (Ceefax) (s) (9076257) **4.35 Round the Twist** (r). (Ceefax) (7168967)
5.00 Newsround (3416702) **5.10 Byker Grove** (r). (Ceefax) (9359832)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (430509) **Northern Ireland:** Inside Ulster
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Andrew Harvey (Ceefax) and weather (290)
6.30 Regional news magazines (870) **Northern Ireland:** Neighbours
7.00 Hi-de-Hi! Simon Cadell and Paul Shane star in the first episode of the classic comedy series set in a holiday camp during the 1950s. (Ceefax) (6290)
7.30 Here and Now. Racing driver Damon Hill and his wife, Georgie, talk about their five-year-old son who was born with Down's syndrome (734)
8.00 Animal Hospital Live. Behind the scenes at an *RSPCA hospital (s)* (2238)
8.30 NEW **The Opposite Sex.** The inimitable Chris Tarrant goes in search of "Britain's Most Useless Man" as he examines the funny underside of male-female relationships. (Ceefax) (4073)
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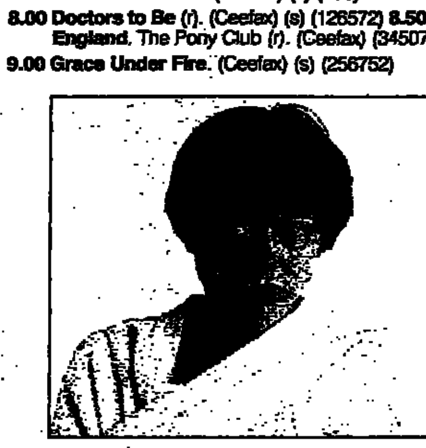


Roger Moore, Tony Curtis (10.20pm)

10.20 The Persuaders. Vintage crime series starring Roger Moore and Tony Curtis (692670) **Northern Ireland:** Out of the Archives 10.50 The Persuaders 11.40-12.30am Man in a Suitcase
11.10 Man in a Suitcase. Richard Bradford stars as a former CIA bounty hunter for hire (r) (297561)
12.00 FILM: Wanda Nevada (1979). Peter Fonda stars in and directs the only film he made with his father, Henry. In it, a gambler wins a young orphan (Brooke Shields) in a poker game, and they set out together to prospect for gold (401333) **1.45am Weather** (5757555). Ends at **1.50**

BBC2

6.20 Open University: Mantegna: The Triumphs of Caesar (5053528) **6.45** Build a Better Business (4940054) **7.10** Interrogating the Past (2061431) **7.35** Berlin (8475870)
8.00 Breakfast News. (Ceefax) (1943306) **8.15 Pinocchio** (r) (9357899) **8.40 Babar** (r) (6394325)
9.05 FILM: Desert Passage (1952, b/w) starring Tim Holt. Two stagecoach owners take a former convict across the Mexican border. Directed by Lesley Selander (7192764)
10.05 FILM: Dangerous Cargo (1954, b/w) starring Jack Watling. A security guard is blackmailed into helping a gang to steal a consignment of gold. Directed by John Harlow (7509572)
11.10 FILM: The Countess of Monte Cristo (1948, b/w). Two barmaids try to pass themselves off as royalty. Directed by Frederick De Cordova (5126847)
12.25 A Day That Shook the World: 1986: America attacks Libya (7724073)
12.30 The Saboteurs of Telemark (r) (7937832)
1.20 Forget-Me-Not Farm (r) (90341677) **1.35 CountryFile** (r) (s) (72161832)
2.00 News (Ceefax), followed by **In the Garden.** September (r) (14565293) **2.20 Bottom Line.** A portrait of con-man Mark Kostabi (r) (5009238)
3.00 News (Ceefax), followed by **The Gun** (r) (8269783) **3.20 Provence** (r) (6655865) **3.50 News** (Ceefax) and weather (2876899)
4.00 FILM: Mighty Joe Young (1949, b/w) starring Terry Moore. A giant gorilla wreaks havoc in New York. Directed by Ernest B. Schoedsack (74171)
5.30 The Rip-Off Merchants. Hidden cameras accompany Liverpool Trading Standards investigators (219)
6.00 FILM: The Fastest Gun Alive (1956, b/w) starring Glenn Ford and Broderick Crawford. A mild-mannered storekeeper hopes to put his past behind him. Directed by Russell Rouse (11948)
7.30 The Salmon Run. (Ceefax) (s) (696)
8.00 Doctors to Be (r). (Ceefax) (s) (126572) **8.50 Little England.** The Pony Club (r). (Ceefax) (345073)
9.00 Grace Under Fire. (Ceefax) (s) (256752)



Charlotte Coleman is Mary Jo Cella (9.25pm)

9.25 Stages: Low-level Panic. (Ceefax) (s) (851122)
10.05 Naked Video 2½. Comedy series (r) (281702)
10.30 Newsnight. (Ceefax) (339986)
11.15 Edinburgh Nights (s) (821677) **11.55 Weather**
12.00 Plus ça change (r) (1474826)
12.25am Changing Voices. Four poets discuss their lives and work (1477913). Ends at **12.55**

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Stages: Low Level Panic
BBC2, 9.25pm

Clare McIntyre's perceptive drama features three young women who share a flat and a lack of self-confidence about themselves and the way they look. Their feelings come to a head as they get ready for a party. Mary (Charlotte Coleman) is on the defensive after being sexually assaulted, and is nervous about wearing a sexy dress. Jo (Nicola Sanderson) has no such inhibitions as she fantasises about being tall and thin and swept off her feet by a famous millionaire. But she knows she has neither the face nor the body to turn heads. Clare (Beth Goddard) is a more shadowy character but, as the sanest of the three, provides a useful dramatic foil. Convincing performances bring out the sadness of the theme and also its humour.

Witness: Eight-Tray Gangster
Channel 4, 9.00pm

A trenchant insight into the gang wars which have cost thousands of lives in Los Angeles is provided by the autobiography of a man who was once a central participant but now works for reconcilation. Kershaun Scott was brought up happily in a middle-class suburb. But when his father left home the family was forced to move into a poor neighbourhood where gun battles were the norm. Scott became a member of the Eight-Tray Gangsters, one of the city's 300 gangs. At 14 he was convicted of first-degree murder. Only five years ago he declared: "I hate everything that America stands for." But fatherhood has helped to mellow him and he is determined that his son will not follow him into the gangs.



Stephanie Wilson and her daughter Heide (8.30pm)

Short Stories: Splash!
Channel 4, 8.30pm

As a child Stephanie Willson was told that she would never achieve anything because she was a girl. Now, having brought up four children on her own, she is determined to demolish this sexist prophecy by swimming the English Channel. After one false start, because of the weather, she is at Shakespeare Cliff in Dover greased up and ready to go. Meanwhile Heidi, her 16-year-old daughter, has been chosen as Miss Regatta in the family's home town of Whitby and her crowning coincides with mum's swim. It means, however, that the film has two stories for the price of one and the director, Dominique Walker, intercuts them with relish. There is no doubt that Heidi will get her crown, but can Stephanie reach France?

The Human Animal: Beyond Survival
BBC1, 9.30pm

Having spent five programmes trying to show how close man is to other animals, Desmond Morris wraps up his series by emphasising the differences. These emerge, he claims, when man goes beyond mere survival and becomes imaginative and inventive. It is a reasonable, if unsensational, idea which Morris tries to justify with eccentric examples. There is only a brief nod at artistic creation, which surely gets to the heart of his thesis, and a lot about people who paint their bodies, cars and fishing boats. Morris also suggests than human beings are basically playful, although you feel this is an excuse to parade footage of the world's largest sand castle and of Brazilians who risk their lives travelling on the roofs of trains. **Peter Waymark**

CARLTON

6.00 GMTV (1042899)
9.25 C.O.P.S (4883528)
9.50 The New Adventures of He-Man (5782306) **10.20 ITN News** headlines (Teletext) (9427764) **10.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (9426035)
10.30 FILM: Carry On Teacher (1959, b/w) starring Joan Sims and Kenneth Williams. The team turn their attention to schooldays in this classroom farce. Directed by Gerald Thomas (56009431) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7703580)
12.30 ITN Lunchtime News (Teletext) (3756528)
12.55 Coronation Street (r). (Teletext) (3731219)
1.25 Home and Away. (Teletext) (16150851) **1.55 Gardeners' Diary** (72174306)
2.25 A Country Practice (s) (73894986) **2.50 The Young Doctors** (9447528) **3.20 ITN News** headlines (Teletext) (1195528) **3.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (1194899)
3.30 Tots TV (r) (s) (1108238) **3.40 Wizadora** (r) (2867141) **3.50 Garfield and Friends** (6488783) **4.15 The Ink Thief.** (Teletext) (s) (591493) **4.45 Tiny Toon Adventures** (r) (7159219)
5.10 After 5 with Fern Britton. (Teletext) (3379899)
5.40 ITN Early Evening News (Teletext) and weather (151393) **5.55 Your Shout** (413073)
6.00 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (986)
6.30 London Tonight. (Teletext) (238)
7.00 Michael Ball. The singer is joined by country singer Emmylou Harris and chart-topping pop group D:Ream. (Teletext) (s) (1986)

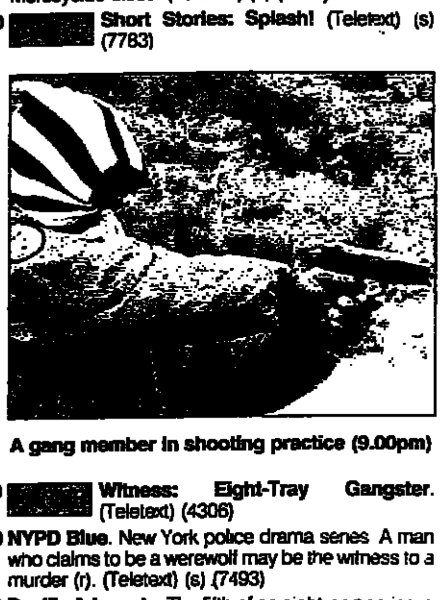


Bryan Mosley, Oliver Pierre(7.30pm)

7.30 Coronation Street. The black pudding contest threatens to jeopardise Anglo-French relations. With Bryan Mosley, Sue Nicholls and Oliver Pierre. (Teletext) (s) (122)
8.00 Burke's Law. In the last of the series, the debonair detective (Gene Barry) finds himself in prison accused of murder. (Teletext) (s) (6528)
9.00 People Like Us. Connie Selleca and Ben Gazzara star in the first of a two-part tale of money and intrigue among New York's high society. (Teletext) (6764)
10.00 News at Ten with Julia Somerville (Teletext) (64344) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) (818528)
10.40 People Like Us continued. (Teletext) (313211)
11.30 FILM: Lucas (1988). Corey Haim and Charlie Sheen star in a thoughtful, romantic drama about adolescent love. Directed by David Seltzer (202344)
1.20am Hollywood Report (s) (1447994)
1.50 The Album Show (s) (2230791)
2.50 FILM: Calculated Risk (1963) starring William Lucas and Dilys Watling. A group of robbers tunnel into a bank vault. However, they are heading straight towards an unexploded Second World War bomb. Directed by Norman Harrison (2185975)
4.10 On the Live Side (s) (81556994)
4.30 The Masters of Beauty. New series focusing on the beauty industry (61536)
5.00 America's Top Ten (r) (s) (26975)
5.30 ITN Morning News (16449). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.35 Little Dracula. Cartoon (r) (4944870)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (93493)
9.00 Pugwall. Teen comedy drama (r) (41493) **9.30 Wish Kid** (r) (5704528)
9.55 Kelly (r) (5789219) **10.25 Dog City.** Another case for the canine detective (r) (3058219)
10.50 Raiders of the South Seas. Children's pirate adventure, set in 1942 (r) (5692832) **11.20 Terrytoons.** Cartoons (7039764) **11.45 Dennis.** Animated adventures of a mischievous boy (3223325)
12.00 Pushing the Limits: Sierra 4 Charley Has Landed. A look at the annual balloon race held in the Austrian town of Filzmoos (r) (61257)
12.30 Sesame Street. Early-learning entertainment. The guests are Bo Jackson and Bo Diddley (94290)
1.30 Katie and Orbie Animated story of a little girl and her alien friend (70493)
2.00 Revelation. The first of two programmes examining the differences between Jews, Christians and Muslims. This programme looks at how early Christians considered themselves to be good Jews (r) (73873493)
2.25 Channel 4 Racing from York. Jim McGrath introduces races at **2.40, 3.10, 3.40** and **4.10** (57685290)
4.30 Countdown. Richard Whiteley hosts another round of the words and numbers game. Win up to £1,000 in conjunction with *The Times* (Teletext) (s) (685)
5.00 Oprah Gold. Today's guests are viewers whose dream it is to meet Oprah Winfrey (r). (Teletext) (s) (9238528)
5.50 Hector Heathcote. Animation (403696)
6.00 Mork and Mindy. Comedy series starring Robin Williams and Pam Dawber. Mindy is shocked to discover that she is the mother of an alien (r) (528)
6.30 Boy Meets World. (Teletext) (s) (580)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (965702)
7.50 The Slot. Viewers' soapbox (114870)
8.00 Brookside. Topical soap set in a suburban *Merseyside* close. (Teletext) (s) (5948)
8.30 Short Stories: Splash! (Teletext) (s) (7783)



A gang member in shooting practice (9.00pm)

9.00 Witness: Eight-Tray Gangster. (Teletext) (4306)
10.00 NYPD Blue. New York police drama series. A man who claims to be a werewolf may be the witness to a murder (r). (Teletext) (s) (7493)
11.00 Devil's Advocate. The fifth of an eight-part series in which Darcus Howe cross-examines a controversial person in the news (540290)
11.45 First Frame: That Sunday. A romantic comedy written and directed by Daniel Zeff. Stanley and Rachel each give their side of the story of their relationship, and significant discrepancies emerge on how one perceives the other (s) (413590)
12.05am L.A. Law. American courtroom drama series. Sollers asks Van Owen to marry him (s) (1466791)
1.00 Out. Yesterday's edition of the gay and lesbian magazine. (Teletext) (s) (9189420) Ends at **1.55**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo. **4.00am** The Early Breakfast Show **6.30** Kevin Greening **9.00** Simon Mayo **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** 1FM Roadshow: **2.00** Claire Sturgess, incl at **3.45** The Adventures of Superman **4.00** Nicky Campbell, incl at **5.30-5.45** Newsbeat **7.00** Evening Session; incl the anti-bullying campaign **9.00** Chris Morris: anarchic comedy **10.00** Mark Radcliffe **12.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **6.00am** Martin Kelner, incl **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.30** Sarah Kennedy, incl **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce, incl at **10.00** Pick of the Hits **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Jim Lloyd **8.00** Cambridge '94 **8.30** Tommy Makem **9.00** Bombay Mix **9.30** Nigel Ogden **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Steve Madden **3.00-6.00** Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

5.00am Morning Reports, incl at **5.45** Wake Up to Money **6.00** The Breakfast Programme, incl at **6.55** and **7.55** Racing Preview **8.35** The Magazine, incl at **10.35** Europe News and **11.15** Natural History **12.00** Midday with Mair, incl at **12.34pm** Liz Barclay with Moneycheck **2.05** Ruscoe on Five **4.00** John Inverdale Nationwide **7.00** News Extra **7.35** Trevor Brooking's Football Night **10.05** News Talk **11.00** Night Extra, incl at **11.45** The Financial World Tonight **12.05am** Up All Night

WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** Frühmagazin **5.00** German **5.00** Newshour **6.00** News in German **6.03** Morgenmagazin **6.27** News in German **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** British News **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** News **8.15** Off the Shelf: Lies of Silence **8.30** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Mind Matters **9.30** Megamix **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Country Style **10.30** Poems by Post **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News Summary **11.01** Omnibus **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin; News in German Noon Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** World News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** New Ideas **1.35** Woman at the Top **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: Lies of Silence **3.45** Good Books **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News in German **4.35** Heute Aktuell in German **5.00** News **5.15** BBC English **5.30** News **6.05** World Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** News and Features in German **8.00** News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europa Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** Banking on the Poor **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.05** World Business Report **11.15** Media Matters **11.45** Sports Roundup, Midnight Newsdesk **12.30am** Multitrack X-Press **1.00** News **1.15** The Greenfield Collection **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Waveguide **2.45** The Farming World **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Omnibus **4.00** Newsdesk

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Bach (Brandenburg Concerto No 1) **3.00** Jamie Crick **6.00** Classic Reports **7.00** Gardening Forum (r) **8.00** Evening Concert: Devilish Music. Tartini (Sonata in G minor, The Devil's Trill); Gounod (Faust Waltz); Paganini (Caprice No 13, the Devil's Laughter); Rameau (Air des demons) **10.00** Michael Mappin **1.00am** Robert Booth

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono's Breakfast **9.00** Richard Skinner **12.00** Graham Dene **4.00** Wendy Lloyd **7.00** Nick Abbot **10.00** M.J. Williams **2.00am** Paul Coyte

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: **10.30am** Bananas in Pyjamas (8810863) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5617141) **11.00** Fraggle Rock (5884986) **11.25** Bugs Bunny (5887073) **11.55** The Munsters Today (1960783) **1.55** A Country Practice (41645764) **2.20** Gardening Time (73886967) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (9447528) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (3379899) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (182122) **10.30-10.40** Anglia News and Weather (818528) **11.30** The Equalizer (14257) **12.30am** Harlequin (930555) **2.10** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (3094913) **2.40** The Album Show (7921468) **3.35** Jobfinder (7305866) **4.25** Get Stuffed (40275081) **4.35-5.30** Sport AM (1221081)

CENTRAL

As London except: **10.30** Bananas in Pyjamas (8810863) **10.35** James Bond Junior (5617141) **11.00** Fraggle Rock (5884986) **11.25** The Munsters Today (7030493) **11.50** Bugs Bunny in King Arthur's Court (9035344) **1.55** A Country Practice (41645764) **2.20** Gardening Time (73886967) **2.50-3.20** Blockbusters (9447528) **5.10-5.40** Shortland Street (3379899) **6.25-7.00** Central News and Weather (182122) **10.30-10.40** Central News and Weather (818528) **11.30** Central Sports Special (14257) **12.30am-1.20** The Equalizer (4602197) **4.10** Jobfinder (5970130) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (2592371)

HTV WEST

As London except: **10.30** The Rogue Stallion (56009431) **1.55-3.20** Beg, Borrow or Steal (4238122) **3.25-3.30** HTV West Headlines (1194899) **5.10-5.40** Movies, Games and Videos (3379899) **5.55** Home and Away (429493) **6.25-7.00** HTV News (182122) **10.30-10.40** HTV West Headlines and Weather (818528) **11.30** Father Dowling Investigates (14257) **12.30am** Harlequin (930555) **2.10** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (3094913) **2.40** The Album Show (7921468) **3.35** Jobfinder (7305866) **4.25** Get Stuffed (40275081) **4.35-5.30** Sport AM (1221081)

HTV WALES

As HTV WEST except: **5.10pm-5.40** Grass Roots (3379899) **6.25-7.00** Wales Tonight (182122) **10.30-10.40** HTV News (818528)

MERIDIAN

As London except: **10.25am** Meridian News and Weather (9426035) **10.30** The New Adventures of Black Beauty (5618870) **10.55** Oliver Twist (6766306) **12.20pm-12.30** Meridian News and Weather (7703580) **1.55** A Country Practice (41645764) **2.20** Cooking at the Academy (73886967) **2.50-3.20** Shortland Street (9447528) **3.25-3.30** Meridian News and Weather (1194899) **5.10** Home and Away (3379899) **5.37-5.40** Three Minutes — Making It Happen (400509) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (986) **6.30-7.00** Blockbusters (238) **10.30-10.40** Meridian News and Weather (818528) **6.00am-6.30** Freescreen (26975)

TYNE TEES

As London except: **10.30-12.20** The Rogue Stallion (56009431) **12.25-12.30** Joblink (7726899) **1.55** A Country Practice (41645764) **2.20-2.50** Cooking at the Academy (73886967) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3379899) **5.55** Tyne Tees Today (115325) **6.30-7.00** Crosswits (238) **11.30** Tyne Tees Sports Special (293870) **12.20am** The Equalizer (3209130) **1.15** Hollywood Report (43159) **1.45** Videofashion (35130) **2.15** The Album Show (870541) **3.15** Noisy Mothers (6899802) **4.10** Nite Bites (81565642) **4.25-5.30** Jobfinder (6925130)

WESTCOUNTRY

As London except: **10.30-12.20** Hellinger's Law (56009431) **1.55** Take the High Road (72174306) **2.25-2.55** Masters of Beauty (73885238) **5.10-5.40** Home and Away (3379899) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (98899) **11.30** Kojak (14257) **12.30am** Harlequin (930555) **2.10** Cinema (3094913) **2.40** The Album Show (7921468) **3.35** Jobfinder (7305866) **4.25** Get Stuffed (40275081) **4.35-5.30** Sport AM (1221081)

YORKSHIRE

As London except: **10.30-12.20** The Rogue Stallion (56009431) **1.55** A Country Practice (41645764) **2.20-2.50** Cooking at the Academy (73886967) **(1194899)** 5.10-5.40 **Home and Away** (3379899) 5.55 **Calendar** (115325) 6.30-7.00 **Crosswits** (238) 10.30-10.40 **Calendar News and Weather** (818528) 11.30 **Convoy** (557431) 1.15am **Hollywood Report** (43159) 1.45 **Videofashion** (35130) 2.15 **The Album Show** (870541) 3.15 **Noisy Mothers** (6899802) 4.10 **Nite Bites** (81565642) 4.25-5.30 **Jobfinder** (6925130)

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Starts: 7.00 The Big Breakfast (93493) **9.00** Running the Halls (41493) **9.30** Wish Kid (5704528) **9.55** Kelly (5789219) **10.25** Dog City (3058219) **10.50** Raiders of the South Seas (5692832) **11.20** Terrytoons (7039764) **11.45** Dennis (3223325) **12.00** Pushing The Limits (61257) **12.30** Sesame Street (94290) **1.30** Classic Cars (70493) **2.00** Revelation (73873493) **2.25** Racing from York (57685290) **4.30** Kingdoms in Conflict (83306) **5.30** Countdown (615) **6.00** Newyddion (872702) **6.20** Heno (105073) **7.00** Jacpot (9528) **7.30** Cwpan Canwol'r Byd (35561) **8.30** Newyddion (7783) **9.00** Gazza in Italy (4306) **10.00** Brookside (82986) **10.30** True Stories (9186122) **11.35** The World of Hammer (401412) **12.05am** Big Wave Daves (1448130)

RADIO 3

6.30am Open University: Shakespeare's last plays **6.55** Weather
7.00 On Air: Villa-Lobos (Prelude No 3 in A minor); Farina (Capriccio Stravagante); **7.32** Mendelssohn, arr Rachmaninov (Scherzo, A Midsummer Night's Dream) **8.03** Verdi (Overture: Luisa Miller); Schubert (Quartettsatz in C minor, D103); **8.42** Brahms (Variations on a Theme by Haydn, St Anthony Chorale)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Boccherini. Divertimento in C, Op 16 No 6; Cello Concerto in B flat, G482; String Quartet in D, Op 40 No 3; Serenade in D, G501
10.00 Midweek Choice with Susan Sharpe. Mozart (va, va, l'error mio palesa, Mitridate, re di Ponto); W F Bach (Sonata in F, F10); **10.20** Thuille (Sextet in B flat, Op 6); Messiaen (Cloches d'angoisse et larmes d'adieu, Préludes); **10.55** Penderecki (Dies Irae); Schubert (String Quartet in C, D32) **11.40** Rudi Stephan (Liebeszauber); Balakirev (Islamey)
12.00 The BBC Orchestras: BBC Philharmonic (r)
1.00pm Manchester Summer Recital with Eric Le Sage, piano. Beethoven (Bagatelles, Op 126); Schumann (Fantasiestücke, Op 111; Waldszenen, Op 82)
2.00 The English Concert with Barbara Bonney, soprano. Mozart (Symphony No 26 in E flat, K184; Exsultate, Jubilate, K165; Symphony No 39 in E flat, K543) (r)
3.00 Interpretations on Record: Fauré's song-cycle *La bonne chanson* sets nine poems by Paul Verlaine. Gordon Stewart examines versions including those by Gérard Souzay, Elly Ameling, Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau and the man who sang the cycle with Fauré, Charles Panzéra
4.00 Choral Evensong from Holy Trinity Church, London
5.00 The Music Machine: Backbeat. Dick Witts shares the secret of where to listen to free music all over Britain
5.15 In Tune including Poulenc (Quatre petites prières de Saint François); Richard Strauss (Sonata No 1 for Wind Instruments, from An Invalid's Workshop, finale); Walton (Through Gilded Trellises)
7.30 BBC Proms 1994 from the Albert Hall, London, with the BBC Scottish SO. Strauss (Don Juan); Hugh Wood (Cello Concerto); **8.15** Heavenly Breezes: Paul Vaughan asks how the winds of the world affect our moods **8.35** Franck (Les Eolides); Dvořák (Symphony No 6 in D)
9.40 A Taste for Excellence: A history of the Royal Philharmonic Society (r)
10.00 Vivaldi: Academy of Ancient Music, under Christopher Hogwood plays Concertos No 3 in G and No 9 in D (L'Estro Armonico, Op 3)
10.15 The Guitar in Jazz See Choice (r)
10.45 In Search of the Great American Symphony: Peter Paul Nash explores an exclusive art form (r)
11.30-12.30am Ensemble: The first of two programmes of French music for piano duo, with Claire and Antonette Cann. Poulenc (L'Embarquement pour Cythère); Ravel (Ma Mère l'oye); Poulenc (Sonata for piano duet); Debussy (Petite Suite); Ravel (Rapsodie espagnole)

RADIO 4

6.00am News Briefing Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today incl **7.00 7.30 8.00 8.30** News **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.40** Angel Cake: Part 3 of Helen Harris's story **8.58** Weather
9.00 News; 9.05 In the Psychiatrist's Chair Susan Howatch talks to Dr Anthony Clare (r)
9.45 Shelf Lives: Formica. Nigel Cassidy traces the history of the laminate that changed the look of kitchens the world over
10.00 News; Tribes of England (FM only): Phil Smith goes in search of people and places clinging to their individuality in the face of grey, creeping standardisation
10.00 Daily Service (LW only) All hail the power of Jesus's name (Diadem); Acts 3, 1-10. There is power in the name of Jesus (Noel Richards); O for a thousand tongues to sing (Arden)
10.15 Children's Radio 4: The Incredible Adventures of Professor Branestawm (LW only)
10.30 Woman's Hour, introduced by Jenni Murray. Serial: *Palladian*
11.30 Gardeners' Question Time: The Bank Holiday edition from Biddulph Grange Garden near Stoke-on-Trent with Pippa Greenwood, Geoffrey Smith and Nigel Colborn. The Chairman is Eric Robson (r)
12.00pm: News; You and Yours, with Daire Brehan
12.25 The Russia House. Final part of the dramatisation of John le Carré's book, with Tom Baker and Valentina Yakunina **12.55 Weather**
1.00 The World at One; 1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55 Shipping Forecast**
2.00 News; Doctors, by Maurice Bessman. Fourth of a six-part drama series created by Phil Redmond. With Richard O'Sullivan, Lesley Sharp and John Stride
2.45 Tangents: Denis Richards offers anecdotes from his store of memories
3.00 News; Anderson Country
4.00 News; 4.05 Kaleidoscope: Brian Sibley dons a beret to find out why the BBC is going France-mad, plus reviews of this week's film releases
4.45 Short Story: Day Out, by Carl Tighe
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 Round Britain Quiz (r)
7.00 News; 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Tales from Oz: Reporter David Wright meets Australians with a quest. Ian and Jenny Napier were looking for a retreat from the bustle of mainland Australian life, so they bought the lease on an island
7.45 Medicine Now, with Geoff Watts (r)
8.15 Costing the Earth
8.45 A Workmanlike Man, by Ed Thompson. See Choice
9.30 Kaleidoscope 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight
10.45 Book at Bedtime: Northanger Abbey. Miranda Richardson reads the third part of Jane Austen's novel
11.00 Trouble at the Copper Kettle John Peel looks at the history of the jukebox, going back to the late 1940s and early 1950s when jukeboxes brought new music and the first stirrings of youth culture to cosy British cafes (r)
11.30 Ad-Lib in Australia
12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.20 Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

CHOICE

The Guitar in Jazz. *Radio 3, 10.15pm.*
Charles Alexander's history of what have been called the acrobats on six strings — wouldn't that have been a more dynamic title than the stodgy one it carries? — runs for 12 weeks. I didn't think there were enough notable names to fill six hours. How wrong can you be? Part one hardly scrapes the surface, yet it includes recordings featuring such jazz guitar pioneers as Nick Lucas (*Teasing the Frets*), Eddie Lang (*Dinah*, with Joe Venuti on violin), and George Van Eps's *Once in a While*.

A Workmanlike Man. *Radio 4, 8.45pm.*
Ed Thomason's kaleidoscopic compilation of biographical and literary facts and opinions about J.B. Priestley is repeated to launch BBC radio's Priestley centenary season. Between them, Thomason and his director John Theocharis have done JB proud. The chronology is very well taken care of by Paul Copley's readings from Priestley's own account of his early years, and they are fleshed out with contributions from some of his old friends and fellow authors including Alan Ayckbourn and Judi Dench. **Peter Davalle**

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SATELLITE

SKY ONE

6.00am The DJ Kat Show (70303306) **9.10** Cartoons (1919054) **9.30** Card Sharks (1017870) **9.55** Concentration (1092561) **10.25** Dynamo Duck (3177035) **10.30** Love at First Sight (89677) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (50702) **12.00** The Urban Peasant (25847) **12.30pm** E Street (13122) **1.00** Falcon Crest (18677) **2.00** Hart to Hart (58667) **3.00** Another World (4141073) **3.45** The DJ Kat Show (6368870) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (2257) **6.00** The Simpsons (2122) **6.30** Blockbusters (6702) **7.00** E Street (3986) **7.30** M*A*S*H (2986) **8.00** Elvis and Me: based on the memoirs of Priscilla Presley (40290) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (69325) **11.00** Late Show with David Letterman (115528) **11.45** Battlestar Galactica (640342) **12.45am** Barney Miller (86889) **1.15-1.45** Night Court (76401)

SKY NEWS

News on the hour
6.00am Sunrise Europe (2382832) **9.30** Fashion TV (48696) **10.30** ABC Nightline (87219) **11.00** News and Business (58344) **1.30pm** CBS News (37108) **2.30** Fashion TV (64899) **3.30** ABC Nightline (4580) **4.00** World News and Business Report (10561) **5.00** Live at Five (394035) **7.30** Fashion TV (85870) **9.30** Talkback (86325) **11.30** CBS News (56275) **12.30am** ABC News (27710) **1.30** Fashion TV (89352) **2.30** Those Were The Days (19130) **3.30** Talkback (21975) **4.30** CBS News (67325) **5.30-6.00** ABC News (63371)

SKY MOVIES

6.00am Showcase (3845324)
10.00 Ordeal in the Arctic As 6pm (24238)
12.00 Bloomfield (1969) Richard Harris as an ageing football player (19780)
2.00pm Two For the Road (1967) A couple reminisce about their married life (50677)
4.00 House of Cards (1969) Cold War thriller (7561)
6.00 Ordeal in the Arctic (1993) A cargo plane crash lands (63141)
8.00 Born Too Soon (1992): A couple's baby is born prematurely (75986)
10.00 Shadows and Fog (1992) Woody Allen's offbeat comedy (78257)
11.30 Wild Orchid 2 (1991) Erotic drama with Tom Skerritt (837054)
1.20am The Unbearable Lightness of Being (1988) Philip Kaufman's version of the Milan Kundera novel (65211739)
4.05 Far From Home (1989): Drew Barrymore plays games (729739). Ends at **5.35**

SKY MOVIES GOLD

6.00pm Elephant Walk (1954): Elizabeth Taylor marries Peter Finch (32219)
8.00 The Big Country (1958): Gregory Peck locks horns with ranch-hand and romantic rival Charlton Heston in William Wyler's epic western. Ends at **10.40** (37764)

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

6.00am Captains Courageous (1937) A spoilt brat is rescued (56764)
8.00 The New Adventures of Robin Hood As 5.40pm (82509)
9.00 The Odyssey (1987). Animated version of Homer's masterpiece (65783)
10.00 His Majesty O'Keefe (1953): South Seas adventure starring Burt Lancaster (52109528)
11.40 King's Row (1942) The traumatic lives of people in small-town America (53532257)
1.50pm Yankee Doodle Dandy (1942) Biopic of George M. Cohan (87413986)
4.00 Bitter Springs (1950): A family of settlers in Australia (35645290)
5.40 The New Adventures of Robin Hood. Animated classic (878257)
6.35 The Odyssey: As 9am (867685)
7.30 Special Feature: World Cinema: Sky's new series of films from around the world (5696)
8.00 On the Streets of LA (1992). A father and son renew their relationship (14323122)
9.35 The Making of Blown Away (825035)
10.00 Ricochet (1991): Killer John Lithgow exacts his revenge against the police (604493)
11.45 Dead Sleep (1991): Nurse Linda Blair suspects foul play (872325)
1.15am Love Can Be Murder (1992): Jaclyn Smith is a private eye (152081)
2.50 The Hunting Party (1971). Violent western (737352)
4.40-6.00 Bitter Springs. As 4pm (6137081)

SKY SPORTS

7.00am Soccer News (8141073) **7.15** WWF Superstars (673696) **8.15** Soccer News (5316967) **8.30** The Footballers Football Show (34696) **9.30** Aerobics Oz Style (35431) **10.00** US Open Tennis (22967) **12.00** Aerobics Oz Style (96054) **12.30pm** The Footballers Football Show (52325) **1.30** Boots 'n' All (6405073) **2.15** Sky Sports Classics (12745870) **2.30** Baseball '94 (8561) **3.00** WWF Challenge (51832) **4.00** US Open Tennis (4325) **6.00** Soccer News (585899) **6.15** US Open Tennis, Live (81645493) **9.00** World of Rugby Union (69651) **9.30** Get Your Handicap Down (26783) **10.00** Soccer News (155144) **10.15** Major League Baseball (995324) **12.15-4.00am** US Open Tennis, Live (48754159)

EUROSPORT

7.30am Step Aerobics (69238) **8.00** Eurotennis (28325) **9.00** Body Building (10257) **10.00** Olympic Magazine (78122) **11.00** Athletics (97967) **1.00pm** Eurotennis (29870) **2.00** Canoeing (64431) **3.00** Surfing (5677) **3.30** Equestrianism (73306) **4.30** Speedworld (20493) **5.30** Formula One (10580) **6.30** News (5238) **7.00** Prime Time Boxing (80967) **9.00** Motors Magazine (95764) **10.00** Athletics (85899) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport News (26064)

UK GOLD

7.00am The Sullivans (7989290) **7.30** Neighbours (7908325) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (7851290) **8.30** EastEnders (7650561) **9.00** The Bill (7674141) **9.30** The Lotus Eaters (8825493) **10.30** The Brothers (56823702) **11.35** The Sullivans (57616851) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (7661677) **12.30pm** Neighbours (6487325) **1.00** EastEnders (7988561) **1.30** The Bill (6466696) **2.00** Bless This House (7077764) **2.30** Seconds Out (3298615) **3.00** Knots Landing (3642870) **4.00** Dynasty (3638677) **5.00** Every Second Counts (4165493) **5.40** The Goodies (6992615) **5.55** Sykes (1184509) **6.30** EastEnders (3288696) **7.00** Seconds Out (7071580) **7.30** Bless This House (3277580) **8.00** Dallas (1741528) **10.00** The Bill (7662306) **10.30** Lazarus and Dingwall (3477986) **11.10** Thunderbirds (2273122) **12.10am** Dr Who: Warriors of the Deep (2927420) **12.40** FILM: Madame X (1937): Classic soap opera with Lana Turner sliding into a life of drink and degradation which culminates in murder (24545246) **1.55** Shopping at Night (70051401)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

6.00am It's Droibee Time (45603) **7.00** Spot and Hercules (6377899) **7.15** Pastagums (6143580) **7.30** Casper and Friends (69561) **8.00** Pingu (7147986) **8.05** Head to Head in 3D (7137509) **8.15** Rude Dog and the Dweebs (2883832) **8.30** Beverly Hills Teens (35696) **9.00** Bobby's World (7581306) **9.25** Around the World in 80 Seconds (8974561) **10.00** Twins of Destiny (52783) **10.30** Radio Detectives (16832) **11.00** Chuckle Club (21615) **11.30** Zazoo U (22344) **12.00** Hour of Power (30412) **12.30pm** Dungeons and Dragons (55219) **1.00** Guitars and Roses (83325) **1.30** Swan's Crossing (47290) **2.00** Barney and Friends (5528) **2.30** Mysterious Cities of Gold (2031) **3.00** Garfield and Friends (4035) **3.30** Head to Head in 3D (8900073) **3.40** Summer Crunch (8101493) **4.30-5.00** Saved by the Bell (2275)

NICKELODEON

7.00am Pondles (23870) **8.00** Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (91509) **8.30** Alvin and the Chipmunks (83580) **9.00** Doug (74832) **9.30** Clarissa Explains It All (33073) **10.00** Rocko/Garbage Pail Kids (43948) **10.30** Denver the Last Dinosaur (62324) **11.00** Pee-Wee's Playhouse (87257) **11.30** Smogges (86986) **12.00** Nick Faves (94696) **12.30pm** The Muppet Show (76031) **1.00** Alvin and the Chipmunks (72948) **1.30** Nick's Cartoon Hour (51696) **2.30** Garbage Pail Kids (9431) **3.00** Guts (1851) **3.30** You Choose (8948) **4.00** Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (8403) **4.30** Where on Earth is Carmen San Diego? (8967) **5.00** Chroma Zono (5431) **6.00** Clarissa Explains It All (7832) **6.30-7.00** Roundhouse (1412)

DISCOVERY

4.00pm Bush Tucker Man (3285509) **4.30** Challenge of the Seas (3274493) **5.00** Treasure Hunters (7099986) **6.30** The Munro Show (3298073) **6.00** Beyond 2000 (7047696) **6.55** Only in Hollywood (3535431) **7.05** Sportz Crazy (4815702) **8.00** Fire (7088870) **8.30** Invention (7074677) **9.00** The Nature of Things: Coral Reefs (1718290) **10.00** Wars in Peace (7560948) **10.30** Spies (7679696) **11.00** The World of Volcanoes (3637948) **11.30-12.00** Crawl Into My Parlour (2340580)

BRAVO

12.00 FILM. Pool of London (1951) A sailor and small-time smuggler becomes involved in murder in London's docklands (2368386) **2.00pm** The Avengers (2349851) **3.00** My Three Sons (7081967) **3.30** The Beverly Hillbillies (3293528) **4.00** FILM It Started in Paradise (1952): Glossy melodrama about an ambitious young dress designer. With Jane Hylton (7085783) **6.00** Hogan's Heroes (3282412) **6.30** Cannon (7392851) **7.30** Scotland Yard (3279948) **8.00** The Avengers (1725580) **9.00** It's Garry Shandling's Show (3652257) **9.30** FILM: Simon and Laura (1955). Kay Kendall and Peter Finch are a famous husband and wife on the verge of divorce (5472257) **11.30-12.00** The Rat Patrol (2344306)

UK LIVING

6.00am Agony Hour (4395696) **7.00** Living Magazine Highlights (3943073) **8.00** Days Of Our Lives (8761325) **8.55** Madhur Jaffrey's Indian Cookery (2964238) **9.25** Mr Motivator's Mornings (8145126) **9.30** Now You See It (7182290) **10.00** Trivia Trap (4378126) **10.30** Crosswits (7066162) **11.00** Definition (4870344) **11.30** The Young and the Restless (1139677) **12.30pm** Lyn Marshall's Everyday Yoga (29183870) **12.45** Best of Kilroy (7320073) **1.30** Housecalls (7172677) **2.00** Agony Hour (3926685) **3.00** Jayne's Living Magazine (92513441) **3.45** Gladrags and Glamour (81051306) **4.00** Infatuation (7830509) **4.30** Definition (7829493) **5.00** Rodeo Drive (4662073) **5.30** Floyd on France (7843073) **6.00** FILM A Ghost in Monte Carlo (1990). Sarah Miles and Oliver Reed star in a Barbara Cartland story (65739561) **7.50** Gladrags and Glamour (6223493) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (7804122) **9.00** Cagney and Lacey: New York police drama series (7824986) **10.00** Charlie's Angels (7827073) **11.00** Infatuation (4863325) **11.30-12.00** Housecalls (2473590)

FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm The Wonder Years (95801) **5.30** Danger Bay (1677) **6.00** WKRP in Cincinnati (1290) **6.30** Family Catchphrase (5870) **7.00** All Clued Up (93441) **7.30** All Together Now (1054) **8.00** Bordertown (5764) **8.30** GP (4899) **9.00** Neon Rider (59986) **10.00** The Pyramid Game (31141) **10.30** Newhart (17561) **11.00** Lou Grant (99702) **12.00-1.00am** Remington Steele (86555)

MTV

5.00pm Awake on the Wild Side (942401) **8.00** VJ Ingo (505580) **11.00** Soul (87967) **12.00** Greatest Hits (69412) **1.00pm** VJ Simone (865073) **3.30** Coca-Cola Report (8993783) **3.45** Movies (8998238) **4.00** News (3740580) **4.15** 3 From 1 (3763431) **4.30** Dial MTV (2783) **5.00** Music Non-Stop (20035) **7.00** Greatest Hits (22832) **8.00** Specials Season (21899) **9.30** Beavis and Butt-Head (60141) **10.00** Coca-Cola Report (855561) **10.15** Movies (683344) **10.30** News (627238) **10.45** 3 From 1 (615493) **11.00** Alternative Nation (83670) **1.00am** VJ Marijne (8498130)

TV ASIA

6.00am Persian Dawn (45649) **7.00** Asian Morning (73764) **9.00** Serial (45967) **10.00** Pakistani FILM (790580) **1.00pm** Serial: Anghan Tarha (76851) **1.30** Hindi FILM (619141) **4.30** Kiddie Time (79511) **5.00-6.00** TVA and You (5141) **7.00** Worldline (3632) **7.30** Zameen Aasman (7696) **8.00** English News (265238) **8.15** Hindi FILM (98273685) **11.15** Serial (407986) **12.05am** Five Past Midnight (9032826) **1.35** Sight and Sound (89817517)

CARTOON NETWORK/TNT

Continuous cartoons from 5am to 7pm, then TNT films as below.
Theme: Top Guns
7.00pm Fighter Squadron (1948) Second World War derring-do starring Robert Stack (35058561)
8.45 Task Force (1949) Naval officer Gary Cooper builds vital aircraft carriers (60380865)
10.55 Captains of the Clouds (1942) James Cagney plays a rebellious bush pilot (55447702)
1.10am Wings of the Navy (1939) The lives and loves of pilots being trained for battle (24381420)
2.50 Flight Command (1940) Drama about a new recruit (56469420) Ends at **5.00**

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Tottenham dispute clouds Venables announcement

Barnes earns England recall

BY ROB HUGHES, FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

THE recall of John Barnes, the reopened rancour with Alan Sugar, the reason why England felt it necessary to offer the United States a $25,000 bonus to beat England at Wembley next week ... yesterday was just another day at the Lancaster Gate headquarters of the Football Association.

Before naming his England squad to face the Americans on September 7 in a match for which tickets are turning over at a somnolent rate, Terry Venables, the England coach, began with a grim, angry prepared statement. He said he is considering, once again, responding to allegations by the Tottenham chairman Sugar with a legal response.

Venables said: "This morning, according to one national newspaper, once more Mr Sugar alleged I hired a public relations company to organise a near riot outside the High Court. He adds that people spat at him and his wife, he clearly blames me for this, and for a similar incident outside his home.

"The allegations he makes are nonsense, there is no evidence to support them, they are, I understand, libellous." Venables then said he will take a few days to consider his response.

Consider it, by all means, but Venables would be wise to forget it. The reiteration by Sugar that the England coach is not welcome at White Hart Lane, even to do his job and run his eye over the Tottenham Hotspur aspirants to England places, is, in the vernacular of football, a "wind up". The antagonism between the two threatens to undermine the priority of elevating the England team to something better than the flops who could not even make this summer's World Cup finals.

Thankfully, there is evidence that Venables is managing to trust his judgement even on Tottenham players. Darren Anderton is joined in the England squad by Teddy Sheringham and there are two younger Tottenham players — the effervescent Nick Barmby and the young colossus at centre back, Sol Campbell — who have been added to the senior training squad to gain experience.

In a squad that comfortably contains most of the individuals one would like to see selected, Venables has confirmed that he has his system and his strategy up and running and that he intends to be a consistent selector with an open mind.

Yesterday, he was obliged to spend an inordinate amount of time answering questions about the inclusion of the 30-year-old Liverpool midfield player, John Barnes. Quite why one cannot imagine. Anyone who was at Anfield on Sunday, who saw Barnes in his new role as the playmaker utterly destroy Arsenal, could surely not doubt that here is the most accurate, most disciplined, most inventive passing player available to England.

It was a performance of experience, appetite and, above all, of the craft and the flair to shape a game. There is no more accomplished player at this than Barnes, as Venables observed. He is fitter than for some years and assurances from the Liverpool manager, Roy Evans, put the seal on Venables' choice. "The way he's playing now suits him," Venables said.

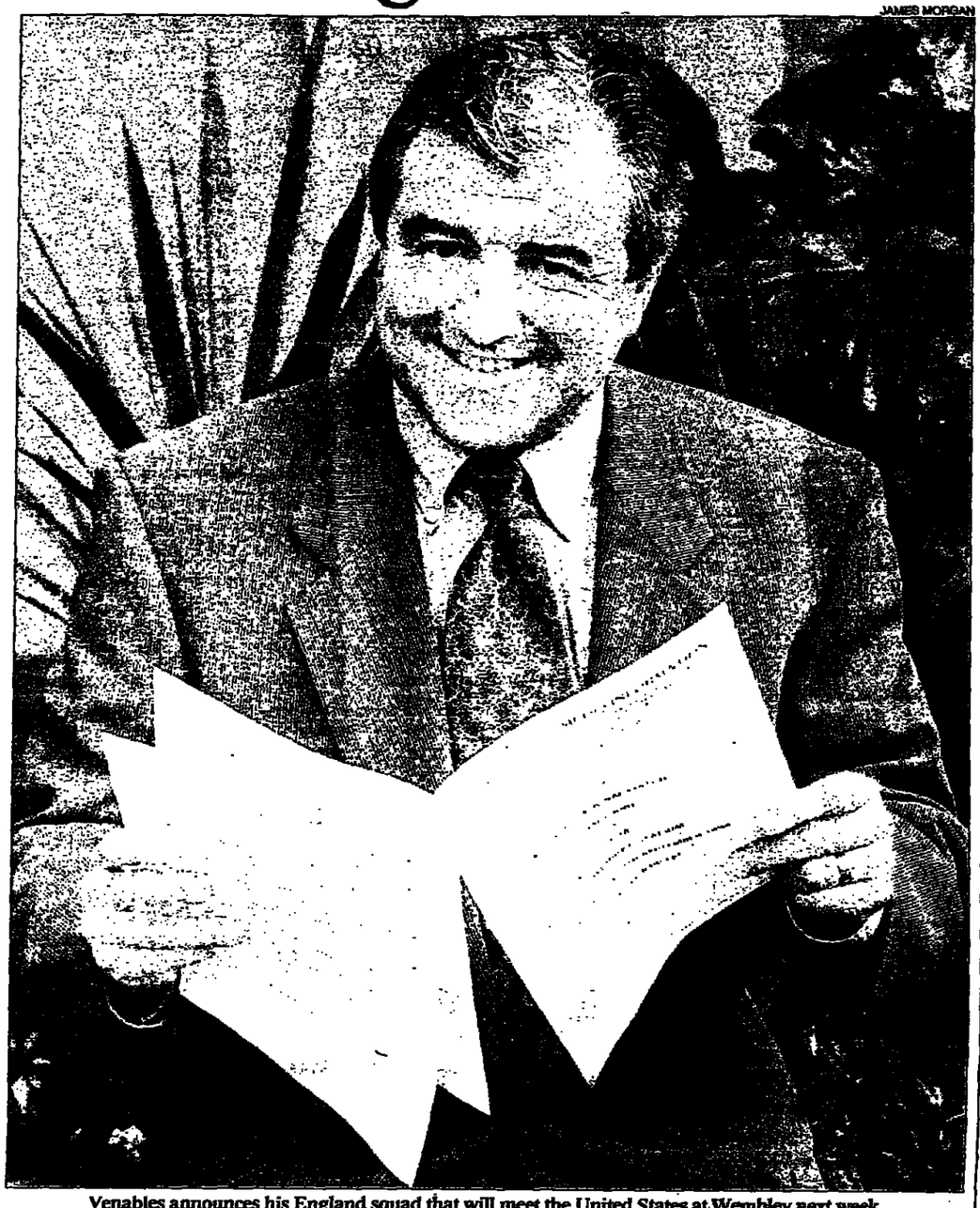
He nevertheless knows that there will be criticism. There was, yesterday, irrelevant criticism about Barnes's poor scoring record of 11 goals in 73 internationals, a record that has no bearing on a midfield playmaker, and Venables is not concerned about the booing that came from loud sections of the crowd the last time Barnes played for England at Wembley, nor with suggestions that he is trying to prove himself capable of eliciting more from a player than his predecessor.

The only mild surprises in the England selection were the inclusion of Robert Lee, of Newcastle United, and the exclusion of the same club's prolific goalscorer, Andy Cole. Venables believes that at 28, he must sooner rather than later look at Lee, even if only in a training situation at Bisham Abbey. He acknowledged the form of Cole, Chris Sutton and others, but said: "It's exciting, I am as excited as everyone else. Young players will get their chance if they put pressure on over a consistent period, but youngsters will have to realise that I am not going to give caps away like confetti, they will be earned and well earned and they will have to prove over the whole season that they are capable of pushing out some of the people in my squad."

There is, however, an innovative incentive for younger players from Venables. Four of them from each under-21 squad selected will be invited to train for part of the week with the full international squad, training sessions that should lead to adaptability between the rising proteges and their seniors. This week's quartet are Barmby, Campbell and the Liverpool duo of Jamie Redknapp, who captained the under-21 team on a successful tournament in Toulon this summer, and Robbie Fowler, the astonishing 19-year-old goalscorer who, reportedly and understandably, is about to be offered a four-year £1 million contract by his club.

SQUAD

	Age	Caps	Gls
D Seaman (Arsenal)	31	14	—
T Flowers (Blackburn)	27	2	—
R Jones (Liverpool)	29	4	—
A Adams (Arsenal)	27	31	4
G Pallister (Man Utd)	29	13	—
S Bould (Arsenal)	31	2	—
G le Saux (Blackburn)	25	3	—
S Pearce (Nottm Forest)	32	56	4
D Anderton (Tottenham)	22	3	1
R Lee (Newcastle)	28	—	—
D Platt (Sampdoria)	28	48	23
M le Tissier (Southampton)	25	3	—
P Ince (Man Utd)	26	14	2
L Ferdinand (QPR)	27	6	3
I Wright (Arsenal)	30	18	5
A Shearer (Blackburn)	24	10	3
E Sheringham (Tottham)	28	2	—
J Barnes (Liverpool)	30	73	11



JAMES MORGAN

Venables announces his England squad that will meet the United States at Wembley next week

Schumacher undaunted as appeal is rejected

BY OLIVER HOLT

AFTER the setbacks Michael Schumacher and the Benetton Formula One team have suffered in recent weeks, the one they endured yesterday seems mild by comparison. The German driver lost his appeal against a two-race ban imposed for ignoring a black flag during the British Grand Prix and will miss the Italian and Portuguese grands prix.

After his disqualification from the Belgian grand prix on Sunday and the buffeting the team has taken in the last two months over suspicions it has been seeking to gain an unfair advantage in its starts and refuelling stops, Schumacher may be grateful his ban was not extended. Still, when he returns, he will have to face Damon Hill in full cry with Nigel Mansell by his side in the Williams team.

The judges deliberated throughout yesterday over the extenuating circumstances that Schumacher claimed merited a reduction in his sentence. After a brief appearance at the headquarters of the International Motor Sport Federation (FIA) in the morning, Schumacher was banished to his hotel room until he was summoned again in the early evening to hear his fate.

Schumacher told the FIA's International Court of Appeal that he had not seen the black flag when it was waved early in the race to summon him into the pits to submit to a time penalty because he had overtaken the Williams-Renault driven by Hill on the formation lap. Quite why he overtook Hill then is still a matter of mystery and conjecture.

Benetton have never disputed they deserved sanction for their tardy response to the flag, but argued that the fine of $500,000 (about £329,000) and the docking of the six points Schumacher won for second place was punishment enough. Schumacher said the team had delayed calling him in and that the ban was too harsh.

The judges disagreed. "After hearing all the parties, the International Court of Appeal could find no evidence, nor new evidence, to justify a change to the decisions taken by the World Motor Sport Council on July 26," they said. Schumacher's absence from Monza and Estoril — where the Finnish driver, J J Lehto, will take his place and partner Jos Verstappen — will give Hill the chance to narrow the German's 21-point championship lead to one point if he wins both races.

Benetton made only a limited response to the failure of the appeal. Their managing director, Flavio Briatore, indicated at the weekend he thought the punishment might be more lenient since the full facts had become apparent, but he was reluctant to make any criticism of the decision yesterday with the most serious of his team's hearings — to answer the charge of tampering with refuelling equipment before the German Grand Prix — still to come a week today.

Frank Williams refused to rejoice in Benetton's continuing misfortune, but the Williams team owner admitted it was a golden opportunity to narrow the gap in the drivers' and constructors' championships. "Nobody wants to benefit from other people's misfortune but obviously this ban will help us and Damon Hill in the battle for the championships," he said. "It is up to us to make the most of the next two races."

Hill will be the firm favourite to win at Monza in ten days and should do well in Portugal, too. But Schumacher will not surrender easily. "When I have been under pressure in the past I have always felt stronger," he said. "I will prove it this time as well."

When Nigel Mansell turns his back on the IndyCar series to race for Williams in the last three races of the Formula One season, it will be a final farewell. His Newman-Haas team yesterday paid tribute to his contribution in the two seasons he has enlivened the American series but said he would not be back, increasing speculation that the three races will prelude a full-time return for Mansell in 1995.

Referees take the laws into their own hands

BY DAVID HANDS
RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE law, said Mr Bumble, "is a ass." There have been times, notably in recent seasons, when rugby union's players and coaches have felt the same, although their feelings have more often than not been directed at the guardians of the law, the referees.

Now, with the production by the International Rugby Football Board (IRFB) of *The Laws in Plain English*, could the game be about to advance to some Utopia where players actually understand what the law says and referees the world over interpret it in a uniform manner?

Utopia, perhaps, remains some way off but the book, launched in London yesterday by the board, belatedly addresses a serious problem in rugby. Successive amendments over many years, leading to a plethora of sub-sections and explanatory notes, have rendered the laws almost incomprehensible; indeed, it was when a convocation of referees in Bristol decided that the law book could not resolve a point at issue that they decided enough was enough.

They were fortunate. Among their number was Derek Robinson, who has been this way before. When Robinson, 62, who is better known for his eight novels (among them the deservedly-successful *Goshawk Squadron*) than for his lifetime preoccupation with rugby, was working in New York in the Sixties, he belonged to the Manhattan Rugby Club and, to lure Americans to his club, he wrote a simplified version of the game and its laws. His project was taken up by the Rugby Football Union (RFU) and, indeed, in New Zealand, and he became involved in the 1968 rewrite of the laws.

As if to prove that history does repeat itself, in 1991 Robinson took up the cudgels on behalf of his fellow Bristolians and contacted Don Rutherford, the RFU technical director. He was encouraged to consider a further rewrite and given two highly-experienced ex-referees in Peter Hughes and Jim Crowe to vet the work. The IRFB embraced the attempt and found financial backing from the Famous Grouse whisky company.

An initial print run of 20,000 will be distributed throughout the 63 rugby-playing countries which belong to the board. The new version, which has won a crystal mark from the Plain English Campaign, should translate easily in countries whose first tongue is not English and who became lost in the nuances of the original law book.

"We were impressed with the complete and thorough description of the game in the existing law book," Robinson said, "but it was not written and rewritten to be readable, not as an easy work of reference. We did have difficulties when the laws kept changing, particularly the ruckmaul law, but now it is finished I hope some money can be spent to ensure it gets as wide an audience as possible." For the next year, the IRFB will run the two versions side by side, but yesterday there was a clear inference that the revised version may become gospel.

"It's in everyone's interests that, at some stage, there will be one version which suits everyone's purpose," Vernon Pugh, the board chairman, said.

There will be a review after the 1995 World Cup, though Keith Rowlands, the IRFB secretary, said with the weariness of one who has heard the word "interpretation" too many times for comfort: "Will the new book be read in the same way everywhere the game is played?" At a time when uniformity of approach is a significant issue for the sport, it should be: the law should not remain a ass.

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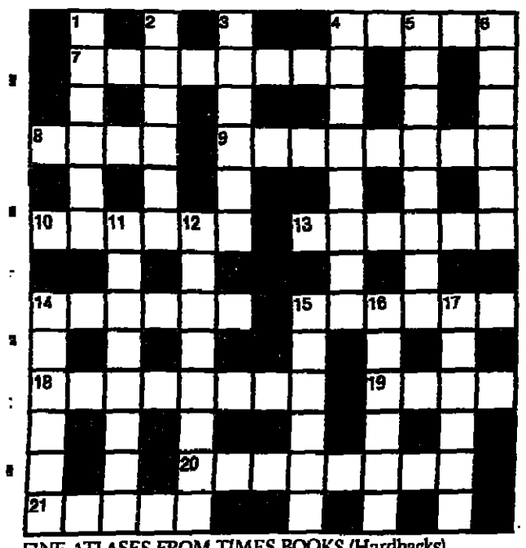
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TIMES TWO CROSSWORD

No 254

ACROSS

4 Fussing about trifles (5)
7 Hooked (nose) (8)
8 Spot; notice (4)
9 Rehearsal (5,3)
10 Patrick —, Easter Rising leader (6)
13 Given a price (6)
14 One owing (6)
15 Promiscuous person (6)
18 Front leg (of animal) (8)
19 Painful; annoyed (4)
20 Belief (8)
21 Go deeply (into) (5)

DOWN

1 Roof of mouth (6)
2 Friend (6)
3 Toboggan; abuse batsman (6)
4 Penetrate, fill (8)
5 Painstakingly complete (8)
6 Gaped (6)
11 Living in trees (8)
12 Footwear fastening (8)
14 Protect (against attack) (6)
15 Psychic energy; desire (6)
16 Gambling house (6)
17 'Nice little' source of income (6)

SOLUTION TO NO 253

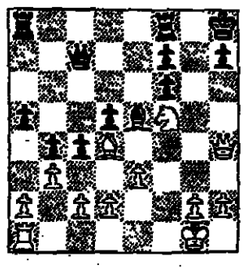
ACROSS: 1 Defame 4 Star 9 Easel 10 All ears 11 Sheathe 12 Gleam 13 Dereliction 17 Aloof 19 Tempter 22 Sweeten 23 Round 24 Rhea 25 Thieve

DOWN: 1 Dregs 2 Fish-eye 3 Mulct 5 Trace 6 Resume 7 Have kittens 8 Slight 14 Effete 15 Obtrude 16 Caesar 18 Obese 20 March 21 Ridge

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Mamajev - Oreshkin, Moscow 1968.

White has jettisoned rook for knight in order to create weaknesses in the black kingside. How did he now capitalise on these?



Solution, page 36
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By Philip Howard

IDDY-UMPTY
a. A helter-skelter
b. Morse Code
c. A camel

JHULA
a. Baggy cotton trousers
b. Fig jam
c. Himalayan suspension bridge

KNEIPE
a. Students' boozy party
b. To criticise
c. A leather apron

MURUMURU
a. Maori plundering
b. The Pacific cuckoo
c. A Brazilian palm

Answers on page 36